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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
2 ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2004, BEGINS ON PAGE 196]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I WOULD ASK THAT YOU ALL PLEASE RISE. WE
7 WILL BE LED IN THE INVOCATION BY LYDIA CINCORE-TEMPLETON,
8 MISSIONARY, HOLMAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN LOS ANGELES,
9 FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WHICH WILL BE LED BY OUR
10 OWN COLONEL JOSEPH SMITH, OUR DIRECTOR OF MILITARY AND
11 VETERANS AFFAIRS.

12

13 **LYDIA CINCORE-TEMPLETON:** LET US BE IN A ATTITUDE OF PRAYER.
14 GRACIOUS LOVING GOD OF LIGHT, LOVE AND LIFE, WE INVOKE YOUR
15 PRESENCE TODAY AND GIVE THANKS FOR THE KNOWN AND UNKNOWN
16 BLESSINGS FLOWING FROM YOU. WE LIFT UP THE UNSUNG HEROES AND
17 HEROINES OF EVERY DEPARTMENT, DIVISION AND UNIT IN LOS ANGELES
18 COUNTY. WE LIFT IN PRAYER THE RESIDENTS, CITIZENS, CHILDREN,
19 AND COMMUNITY LEADERS OF THIS GREAT STATE. WE ASK THAT YOUR
20 PERFECT WILL BE MANIFESTED IN THE MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL
21 MATTER, AND PLEASE GUIDE THE STEPS, THE WORDS AND THE DEEDS
22 WHEN THESE, YOUR SERVANTS, OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
23 SUPERVISORS, ARE CONDUCTING THE BUSINESS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY.
24 TEACH US TO LOVE AND SEEK PEACE FOR ALL YOUR PEOPLE IN THIS
25 CITY, COUNTY AND WORLD. WE ASK THESE BLESSINGS AS WE LOOK TO



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1 THE MOST HIGH GOD, THE CREATOR OF TRUE JUSTICE AND PEACE.

2 AMEN.

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4 **COLONEL JOSEPH SMITH:** PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR
5 HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF
6 ALLEGIANCE]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WE'LL WAIT 'TIL SUPERVISOR BURKE'S ARRIVAL,
9 THEN WE'LL HAVE THE PRESENTATION. OKAY. WE'LL MOVE THROUGH THE
10 AGENDA.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
13 BOARD. I WILL ANNOUNCE THE CONTINUED ITEMS AND THEN WE'LL TAKE
14 UP THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS AFTER THE BOARD'S PRESENTATIONS.
15 BEGINNING ON PAGE 8, ON ITEM NUMBER 5, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
16 REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE CONTINUED TO OCTOBER 26TH, 2004.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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20 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 11 THROUGH 22, I HAVE THE FOLLOWING
22 REQUEST. ON ITEM NUMBER 13, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET,
23 SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO
24 HER OFFICE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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3 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM NUMBER 21, AS NOTED ON THE GREEN
4 SHEET, THAT INCLUDES REVISIONS. THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
7 MOLINA, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
8 SO ORDERED.

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10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 23 THROUGH
11 25. ON ITEM NUMBER 24, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER
12 OF THE PUBLIC. AND ON ITEM 23, AS NOTED ON THE AGENDA, THE
13 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE
14 REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND THE THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
21 YAROSLAVSKY, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
22 ORDERED.

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24 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COUNTY COUNSEL, ITEM 26.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY THE
2 CHAIR. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEM 27.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
7 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PARKS AND RECREATION, ITEMS 28 AND 29.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THE CHAIR
12 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 30 AND 31.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR
17 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. ON ITEM 32,
20 I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE INTO THE RECORD AND THEN WE'LL HOLD
21 IT. ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE TITLE
22 5, PERSONNEL OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO FRINGE
23 BENEFIT CHANGES. WE'LL HOLD THAT FOR SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A
24 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION, ITEMS 33 AND
25 34.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY
3 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BUDGET MATTERS, ITEMS 35 THROUGH 46, AND
6 WE'LL HOLD THOSE FOR THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER. ON ITEM
7 43, HOWEVER, THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
8 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO NOVEMBER 16, 2004.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
13 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
14 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF
15 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
16 ITEM 47-A.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY
19 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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21 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM 47-B, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS A
22 TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 47-C.

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
4 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

5

6 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON 47-D, IT'S A SET MATTER, SO WE'LL HOLD
7 THIS UNTIL 11:00 A.M. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
8 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH
9 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 1.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IT'S A PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE OUR 2004
12 SEPTEMBER EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH, MR. CHARLES CHAPMAN. AND-- IS
13 CHARLES UP HERE? HERE HE COMES. HAVING OVER 17 YEARS OF
14 EMPLOYMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CHARLES IS
15 CURRENTLY AN INTERMEDIATE CLERK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
16 SERVICES, WHERE HE SERVES AS A PATIENT SERVICES
17 REPRESENTATIVE. WHILE PROVIDING SUPPORT IN THREE KEY AREAS:
18 PATIENT RELATIONS, MEDICAL RECORDS DOCUMENTATION AND DISCHARGE
19 PLANNING, CHARLES, IN ESSENCE, HELPED MANAGEMENT WRITE THE
20 BOOK ON THE ROLE OF A PATIENT SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE. CHARLES
21 IS COMMITTED TO HELPING PATIENTS UNDERSTAND THE COMPLEX
22 ACTIVITIES INVOLVED IN ADDRESSING THEIR HEALTHCARE NEEDS. HIS
23 EFFORTS HAVE RESULTED IN INCREASED PATIENT SATISFACTION, AS
24 EVIDENCED THROUGH THE RESULTS OF THE PATIENT SATISFACTION
25 SURVEYS AND COMMENDATIONS. HE SUCCESSFULLY LED THE COMPLETE



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1 ELIMINATION OF OVER 1,300 BACKLOGGED ENCOUNTER FORMS IN OUR
2 PROCEDURE LABORATORY AT GENERAL HOSPITAL. THIS EFFORT WAS
3 CRITICAL FOR BILLING AND COLLECTION OF WORKLOAD DATA TOWARDS
4 OUR 1115 WAIVER, WHICH MANY OF YOU READ IN THE NEWSPAPER ABOUT
5 IT, WHICH WAS SO CRITICAL HERE FOR US IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
6 CHARLES AND HIS STAFF WERE ABLE TO REDUCE THE BACKLOG IN JUST
7 A FEW MONTHS. SO, IN RECOGNITION OF THAT EFFORT AND IN
8 RECOGNITION OF MANY, MANY MORE AND HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR
9 COUNTY AND HIS WORK ETHIC, WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE CHARLES AS
10 OUR SEPTEMBER 2004 EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **MR. CHARLES CHAPMAN:** THANK YOU. IT'S A GREAT HONOR ON SUCH A
13 HIGH LEVEL OF THE COUNTY TO ACCEPT A AWARD LIKE THIS. SOMEONE
14 WAS ASKING ME EARLIER, HOW DO YOU DO THIS. I GUESS, LIKE I WAS
15 TELLING THEM, I NEVER INTENDED FOR THE RECOGNITION TO BE SO
16 HIGH BUT IT'S JUST A GREAT HONOR TO ACCEPT THIS AWARD. THANK
17 YOU. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **SPEAKER:** AS CHARLES' SUPERVISOR IN THE G.I. LAB AT L.A. COUNTY
20 U.S.C., I JUST WANT TO SAY HE'S A TRUE HERO TO HIS CO-WORKERS,
21 TO THE PATIENTS. HE'S EXPANDED AND CREATED OUR DISCHARGE
22 WAITING ROOM FOR THE PATIENTS, UPGRADED OUR COMPUTER SYSTEM,
23 AND, EVERY DAY, HE DOES AN OUTSTANDING JOB AND I WANT TO THANK
24 HIM. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS.
2 NEXT, I'M JUST GOING TO HAVE A LITTLE CHAIR PRIVILEGE HERE AND
3 CALL ONE OUT OF ORDER BECAUSE I KNOW ONE OF OUR HONOREES HAS
4 TO GET BACK TO HER SCHOOL. FIRST OF ALL, I'M GOING TO ASK DR.
5 GARY RICHARD, PROVOST AND SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF ACADEMIC
6 AFFAIRS AT CAL STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH; AS WELL AS DR.
7 JAN KEYHOE, WHO IS SUPERINTENDENT AND PRESIDENT OF LONG BEACH
8 CITY COLLEGE; JEFF KELLOGG, WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE LONG BEACH
9 CITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FORMER VICE MAYOR AND
10 COUNCILMAN IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH; AND CLAUDETTE MOODY, WHO
11 IS CHIEF OF STAFF FOR PRESIDENT KEYHOE AND MANY OF US IN THIS
12 ROOM REMEMBER CLAUDETTE IN HER DAYS WHEN SHE WAS WORKING
13 GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS FOR THE M.T.A. AND NUMEROUS OTHER
14 MEMBERS HERE. ALL RIGHT. OKAY. SO, ON BEHALF MY COLLEAGUES AND
15 MYSELF, WE WANT TO THANK BOTH LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE AS WELL
16 AS CAL STATE UNIVERSITY IN LONG BEACH FOR THEIR INDIVIDUAL
17 CIVIC LEADERSHIP. [INTERJECTIONS]

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IF WE COULD HAVE SOME-- STEVIE, GET THE--
20 JUST KEEP IT DOWN TO A LOW ROAR OVER HERE. WE WANT TO THANK
21 BOTH THE COLLEGE, THE LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE AND CAL STATE IN
22 LONG BEACH FOR THEIR INDIVIDUAL CIVIC LEADERSHIP IN THESE
23 VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS AT OUR CARMELITOS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT UNDER
24 THE OVERALL SERVICE LEARNING INITIATIVE. EACH INSTITUTION,
25 AIDED BY OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



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1 COMMISSION, HAS HELPED TO BRING ABOUT OVER 328 VOLUNTEERS AND
2 200 CARMELITAS RESIDENTS WHO CURRENTLY PARTICIPATE IN
3 ACTIVITIES AT THIS LOCATION, THE COMMUNITY SERVICE LEARNING
4 CENTER. FIRST OF ALL, I'M GOING TO ASK DR. RICHARD FROM CAL
5 STATE LONG BEACH TO COME FORWARD AND I'M GOING TO PRESENT HIM
6 WITH THIS SCROLL IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR EFFORTS AND SAY A
7 HEARTFELT THANKS. [APPLAUSE]

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND, NEXT, AGAIN, THESE ALL FOLKS UP HERE
10 ARE JUST-- BEEN DEAR FRIENDS OVER THE YEARS. I WANTED TO
11 PRESENT THIS AS WELL TO DR. KEYHOE AND CONGRATULATIONS ON A
12 JOB WELL DONE. [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I'M GOING TO ASK THEM BOTH TO SAY A COUPLE
15 WORDS AND INTRODUCE SOME FOLKS HERE WITH YOU. JAN, IF YOU WANT
16 TO GO FIRST.

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18 **DR. JAN KEYHOE:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR KNABE. THE BOARD
19 OF SUPERVISORS HAS BEEN AN INCREDIBLE FRIEND TO COMMUNITY
20 COLLEGES AND TO LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE. WE ARE VERY PLEASED
21 THAT A PROGRAM SUCH AS CITY SERVE, WHICH IS A COOPERATIVE
22 EFFORT WITH CAL STATE LONG BEACH, HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN
23 MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN SO MANY PEOPLE'S LIVES. AND, WITH THAT,
24 I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE A FACULTY MEMBER WHO IS PRIMARILY
25 RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS PROGRAM, DR. PAUL SAVOY.



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DR. PAUL SAVOY: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DR. KEYHOE. WE HAVE SOME OTHER KEY PEOPLE WITH US THIS MORNING FROM OUR EFFORTS AT LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE WORKING WITH THE COUNTY AT THE CARMELITOS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT. WE HAVE ALICIA HERNANDEZ, WHO IS A LONG BEACH CITY-- A FORMER-- A GRADUATE OF LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE NOW AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY IN LONG BEACH AND HAS BEEN WORKING FOR SEVERAL SEMESTERS AT CARMELITOS. WE ALSO HAVE MARY WHITELOCK, WHO IS THE FACULTY FELLOW FOR LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE WITH OUR PARTNERSHIP AT CARMELITOS. AND WE ALSO HAVE MR. FARLEY HERZIC, WHO IS THE DEAN OF TRADES IN INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES AT LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE AND WHO IS THE DEAN THAT OVERSEES BOTH OUR SERVICE LEARNING AND OUR TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS AT L.B.C.C. AND THANK YOU AGAIN.

15

DR. JAN KEYHOE: AND WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE ELECTED BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE, WE COULD NOT ENGAGE IN ANY OF THOSE PROGRAMS. WE HAVE WITH US THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD, JEFF KELLOGG, TODAY WITH US AS WELL.

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JEFF KELLOGG: AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH ON BEHALF OF PRESIDENT ROBERT MAXEN AND ESPECIALLY THE STUDENTS AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LONG BEACH WHO MAKE THIS PROGRAM POSSIBLE FROM OUR INSTITUTIONAL PERSPECTIVE AND I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE DIRECTOR OF OUR COMMUNITY SERVICE



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1 LEARNING CENTER, DR. PATRICIA ROSAE, WHO WILL INTRODUCE THE
2 OTHERS WHO ARE WITH US TODAY FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
3 LONG BEACH.

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5 **DR. PATRICIA ROSAE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE REALLY HONORED
6 TO BE HERE AND I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE TO YOU ONE OF OUR FACULTY
7 MEMBERS AND HIS STUDENT, THE FACULTY MEMBER, DR. COREY JOHNSON
8 AND HIS STUDENT, LIZ TRAN, WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING AT CARMELITOS
9 WITH US SINCE THE BEGINNING. SHE'S NOW ALSO AN ALUM. SHE JUST
10 GRADUATED. AND MY RIGHT-HAND PERSON, CORENA SASS, WHO IS
11 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS COORDINATOR AT CAL STATE LONG BEACH AND
12 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DAY-TO-DAY RUNNING OF THIS PROJECT, CORENA
13 SASS. OKAY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. AGAIN, WE WANT TO SAY A HEARTFELT
16 THANKS. THIS IS A GREAT PROGRAM AND WE, TOO, APPRECIATE THE
17 COOPERATION BETWEEN LONG BEACH CITY, CAL STATE LONG BEACH AND
18 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR A
19 JOB WELL DONE. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. LET'S SEE. SUPERVISOR BURKE'S NOT
22 HERE YET, SO, ZEV, DO YOU HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS? THEN I WILL
23 PROCEED WITH MY RESOLUTIONS HERE UNTIL SUCH TIME AS SUPERVISOR
24 BURKE GETS HERE. AT THIS TIME, I'D LIKE TO CALL UP OUR
25 REGISTRAR-RECORDER, CONNY MCCORMACK AND CHIEF DEPUTY, KRISTIN



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1 HEFFERNAN. FOLLOWING THE NATIONAL EXPOSURE OF THE 2000
2 PRESIDENTIAL VOTING SCANDAL, THEN CALIFORNIA SECRETARY OF
3 STATE BILL JONES OFFICIALLY DECERTIFIED PUNCH-CARD VOTING. OH,
4 HI. IN FULL ANTICIPATION OF THIS OUTCOME, OUR VERY OWN LOS
5 ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDERS IDENTIFIED A QUICK AND
6 EFFICIENT REPLACEMENT METHOD AND THAT'S CALLED THE INK-A-VOTE,
7 WHICH IS A MORE EFFICIENT AND CERTIFIED FORM OF CARD VOTING.
8 WITH THIS NEW SYSTEM IN PLACE, CONNY AND HER TEAM SUBSEQUENTLY
9 ACQUIRED A DALMATIAN PUPPY NAMED DOTS. DOTS IS NOW THE MASCOT
10 FOR OUR NEW INK-A-VOTING SYSTEM AND WILL HELP PROMOTE THE "GET
11 DOTS CAMPAIGN." SHE'S REALLY EXCITED. DOTS WILL BE GRACING THE
12 COVER OF THE OFFICIAL LOS ANGELES COUNTY SAMPLE BALLOT AND AN
13 INTERIOR PAGE INSTRUCTING VOTERS THAT THEY ARE NOT TO PUNCH
14 BUT TO INK THEIR BALLOT. IN ADDITION, THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER
15 HAS EXPANDED THE POLL WORKER RECRUITMENT THIS ELECTION TO
16 INCLUDE NOT ONLY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS BUT COUNTY EMPLOYEES,
17 HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS, SERVICE CLUBS AND CORPORATE
18 EMPLOYEES. A TOTAL OF 25,000 POLL WORKERS ARE INK-A-VOTE
19 AMBASSADORS, WILL HELP IN THIS NOVEMBER 2ND GENERAL ELECTION.
20 SO NOW WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT TO CONNY AND TO KRISTEN THIS
21 COMMENDATION IN RECOGNITION OF MOST SUCCESSFUL INK-A-VOTING
22 PROGRAM. CONNY? [APPLAUSE]
23
24 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** THANK YOU, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
25 SUPERVISORS. WE ARE STARTING ADVERTISEMENT CAMPAIGN, THE "GOT



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1 DOTS," SO EVERYONE KNOWS TO MARK THEIR BALLOT WITH THE NEW
2 VOTING SYSTEM. WE HAVE FEDERAL FUNDS TO DO THIS WITH AND WE'RE
3 VERY EXCITED. SO YOU'LL SEE HER ON THE FRONT COVER OF YOUR
4 SAMPLE BALLOT AND IN ALL KINDS OF ADVERTISEMENTS. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. I'M GOING
7 TO CALL ON SUPERVISOR BURKE.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** TO MINISTER LYDIA CINCORE-TEMPLETON, A MISSIONARY
10 AND ATTORNEY, SHE RECEIVED HER JURIS DOCTORATE FROM HOWARD
11 UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, WASHINGTON, D.C. AND GRADUATED MAGNA
12 CUM LAUDE WITH A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE FROM LOYOLA
13 UNIVERSITY IN NEW ORLEANS. MINISTER TEMPLETON IS CURRENTLY
14 ASSIGNED TO THE CALIFORNIA PACIFIC CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED
15 METHODIST CHURCH COORDINATING PROJECTS FOR CHILDREN. IN 1996,
16 MINISTER TEMPLETON COORDINATED THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
17 RESPONSE, THE HUTU-TOOTSI CONFLICT IN CIVIL WAR IN LIBERIA AND
18 DEVELOPED PROJECTS FOR REFUGEES OF THE CIVIL WAR. MINISTER
19 TEMPLETON IS ALSO THE FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
20 CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILY COLLABORATIVE. IN AUGUST, THE
21 ORGANIZATION WAS NOTIFIED IT HAD BEEN GRANTED \$328,000 NEXT
22 GENERATION GRANT. IT'S TO BE USED TO ADDRESS CRITICAL SOCIAL
23 AND SYSTEMATIC NEEDS UTILIZING INNOVATIVE VOLUNTEER SERVICE
24 MODELS. WHEN MINISTER TEMPLETON WAS A DIRECTOR OF THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LIAISON SINNERS, CIVIL DIVISION IN



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1 PORTLAND, OREGON, SHE DEVELOPED AND DESIGNED THE DISCOVERY
2 SUPPORT UNIT FOR THE LARGEST BOND DEFAULT CASE IN THE HISTORY
3 OF THE UNITED STATES, WHICH WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE AUTOMATION
4 OF MULTIMILLION PAGES OF DISCOVERY DOCUMENTS. WE'RE CERTAINLY
5 PLEASED TO HAVE YOU HERE AND ALSO TO WORK WITH YOU ON ALL OF
6 THOSE IMPORTANT THINGS THAT YOU ARE AT THE LEAD AND
7 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. THANKS FOR BEING HERE WITH US. [
8 APPLAUSE]

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10 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH IS SOMETHING
11 THAT WE ALL SUPPORT. AND SUSAN G. KOMEN BREAST FOUNDATION,
12 WE'D LIKE TO ASK YOU COME FORWARD. WE HAVE THREE PEOPLE HERE
13 FROM THE FOUNDATION. BREAST CANCER TOUCHES THE LIVES OF MANY
14 AMERICANS AS A PATIENT OR AS A FAMILY FRIEND OF A PATIENT.
15 WHILE CONSIDERABLE PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN DIAGNOSIS AND
16 TREATMENT OF THE DISEASE, IT REMAINS A DREADED EXPERIENCE AND
17 FOR EVERYONE, ALMOST EVERYONE KNOWS SOMEONE OR HAS HAD A
18 RELATIVE OR FRIEND WHO HAS HAD BREAST CANCER OR A THREAT OF
19 BREAST CANCER. AND EARLY DIAGNOSIS REMAINS OF VITAL
20 IMPORTANCE. WHEN BREAST CANCER IS CONFINED TO THE BREAST, THE
21 FIVE-YEAR SURVIVAL RATE IS MORE THAN 95%. OVERALL DEATH RATES
22 HAVE BEEN DECLINING. NEVERTHELESS, BREAST CANCER REMAINS THE
23 SECOND LEADING CAUSE OF CANCER DEATHS AMONG WOMEN. THIS YEAR
24 IN LOS ANGELES, 6,690 WOMEN WILL BE DIAGNOSED WITH INVASIVE
25 BREAST CANCER AND 1,105 WILL DIE. FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS, THE



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1 SUSAN G. KOMEN BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION HAS BEEN A GLOBAL
2 LEADER IN THE FIGHT AGAINST BREAST CANCER THROUGH ITS SUPPORT
3 OF INNOVATIVE RESEARCH AND COMMUNITY-BASED OUTREACH PROGRAM
4 AND WORKING THROUGH A NETWORK OF U.S. INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATES
5 AND BY SPONSORING EVENTS SUCH AS THE KOMEN RACE FOR THE CURE,
6 THE KOMEN FOUNDATION IS FIGHTING TO ERADICATE BREAST CANCER AS
7 A LIFE-THREATENING DISEASE. KOMEN FOUNDATION ACTIVITIES
8 INCLUDE FUNDING RESEARCH GRANTS, SUPPORTING EDUCATION,
9 SCREENING AND TREATMENT PROJECTS IN COMMUNITIES AROUND THE
10 WORLD. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RACE FOR THE
11 CURE WILL TAKE PLACE FEBRUARY 27TH, 2005, AT THE ROSE BOWL IN
12 PASADENA. TODAY, ON BEHALF OF THE SUPERVISORS, I PROCLAIM THE
13 MONTH OCTOBER 2004 AS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH THROUGHOUT
14 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I URGE ALL PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY TO
15 CONTINUE OUR NATION'S STRONG COMMITMENT TO CONTROLLING AND
16 CURING BREAST CANCER BY RAISING AWARENESS OF THIS DISEASE. AND
17 WE ALSO WANT TO SAY, GO OUT AND GET THOSE MAMMOGRAMS. I WENT
18 LAST WEEK AND I TELL YOU, I KNOW IT HURTS BUT GO ON AND DO IT
19 ANYHOW. IT'S BETTER THAN THE RESULT-- WHAT CAN HAPPEN IF YOU
20 DON'T DO IT, SO I URGE EVERYONE, PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO ARE
21 OVER 35, TO GO OUT, GET THOSE MAMMOGRAMS, 'CAUSE THAT'S THE
22 FIRST STEP. SO I'D LIKE TO ASK-- TODAY, WE HAVE RHONDA KIRK
23 WARNER AND BARRY BORKEN FROM THE L.A. FOUNDATION. WE HAVE YOU
24 AND WHO ELSE IS HERE? LINDA PURA, CO-FOUNDER AND PAST



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1 PRESIDENT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUSAN G. KOMEN FOUNDATION. THANK
2 YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** YES, I WENT OUT LAST WEEK.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND THANK YOU FOR ALL
7 YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE LAST NINE YEARS. WITH ME TODAY IS DONNA
8 HOKE, CO-CHAIR OF THE RACE AND CAROL JOSEPH, WHO IS ON THE
9 RACE COMMITTEE. AND THIS YEAR, WE MOVED OUR DAY TO FEBRUARY,
10 AS YOU'VE NOTICED AND WE MOVED OUT OF NOVEMBER FOR MANY, MANY
11 REASONS BUT ONE OF THE REASONS THAT WE ARE HERE TODAY AND WE
12 ARE VERY THANKFUL TO BE HERE, IS THAT, WITH THE LOOMING CUTS
13 IN WOMEN'S HEALTH ACROSS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, THE KOMEN
14 FOUNDATION HAS ITS PLACE TO PROVIDE FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY AND, IN FACT, IN OUR HISTORY NOW, GOING INTO
16 OUR NINTH YEAR, WE HAVE GIVEN OVER \$5 MILLION BACK TO THE
17 COUNTY FACILITIES, VARIOUS CLINICS, WORKSHOPS AND SO ON. THIS
18 YEAR PARTICULARLY, WE HAVE GIVEN TO FIVE MAJOR HOSPITALS AND
19 CLINICS FOR WOMEN UNDER 40 FOR DIAGNOSIS AND SCREENING WHERE
20 THERE ARE NO STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING FOR THESE WOMEN. SO WE
21 ARE VERY PLEASED AND PROUD TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT. AND,
22 SUPERVISOR BURKE, FOR YOU, I HAVE HOT OFF THE PRESSES OUR
23 BRAND NEW RESOURCE GUIDE FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN
24 BREAST HEALTH FROM PARTNER FOR PROGRESS AND THE CANCER



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1 DETECTION SERVICE, WHICH WE SUPPORT IN THE PRODUCTION OF THIS
2 PARTICULAR RESOURCE GUIDE. SO THERE YOU GO.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND WE ARE GOING TO MAKE SURE
5 THIS GETS OUT TO ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO MUST HAVE IT AND WHO
6 NEED IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. THANK
7 YOU. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS. [INDISTINCT
8 CONVERSATION]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. I'D LIKE TO ASK CHRISTINA KELLY TO
11 COME FORWARD. CHRISTINA IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LUPUS
12 INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION AND ALSO C.H.P. OFFICERS RENEE
13 GALINDO AND ARMANDO PRODOMO. TODAY, IT'S OUR PRIVILEGE TO
14 PROCLAIM OCTOBER AS LUPUS AWARENESS MONTH AND ENCOURAGE
15 EVERYONE'S PARTICIPATION IN THE UPCOMING LUPUS RACE FOR LIFE,
16 AT LA MIRADA REGIONAL PARK. LUPUS IS A VERY COMPLEX, LIFE-
17 THREATENING DISEASE THAT AFFECTS OVER A HUNDRED THOUSAND
18 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIANS, MANY OF WHOM COULD BE YOUR WIFE,
19 MOTHER, FRIEND, CO-WORKER, DAUGHTER, SON AND THE LIST GOES ON.
20 FOR 23 YEARS, LUPUS INTERNATIONAL HAS PROVIDED EDUCATION AND
21 SUPPORT FOR THOSE AFFLICTED WITH THIS DISEASE. AND I THINK
22 THIS IS ONE FACT THAT PEOPLE JUST DON'T KNOW ABOUT LUPUS BUT
23 MORE PEOPLE HAVE LUPUS THAN A.I.D.S., CEREBRAL PALSY, MULTIPLE
24 SCLEROSIS, SICKLE CELL ANEMIA, AND CYSTIC FIBROSIS COMBINED.
25 IT IS A DISEASE THAT HAS NO BOUNDARIES. SOMEONE YOU KNOW OR I



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1 KNOW MAY HAVE LUPUS. SO, ON BEHALF MY COLLEAGUES AND THIS
2 BOARD AND THE 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF OUR GREAT COUNTY, WE
3 WANT TO PROCLAIM OCTOBER LUPUS AWARENESS MONTH AND INVITE
4 EVERYONE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RACE FOR LIFE AT LA MIRADA
5 REGIONAL PARK. CHRISTINA? [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **CHRISTINA KELLY:** I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR HAVING
8 SUPPORTED LUPUS INTERNATIONAL FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS BEFORE THE
9 LUPUS RACE FOR LIFE CAME INTO EFFECT AND HE WAS ONE OF THE
10 FIRST ONES TO JUMP ON BOARD AND SUPPORT THIS AND WE'RE
11 GRATEFUL TO THE OTHER SUPERVISORS FOR SUPPORTING LUPUS
12 AWARENESS MONTH BECAUSE IT IS A SERIOUS DISEASE. AND THE
13 GENTLEMAN HERE FROM THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL, OFFICER
14 RENEE GALINDO AND ARMANDO-- OFFICER ARMANDO PRODOMO HAVE BEEN
15 EXTRAORDINARY IN HELPING OUR CAUSE. COMMISSIONER-- THE NEWLY
16 COMMISSIONED CHIEF MIKE BROWN OF THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
17 HAS BEEN A PIONEER WITH US, INCLUDING SHERIFF BACA AND THE
18 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THEY'VE BEEN EXTRAORDINARY AND WE'RE
19 GRATEFUL TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND
20 ENCOURAGE YOU TO COME OUT TO THE RACE AND STAND BEHIND US FOR
21 THE HUNDRED THOUSAND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIANS THAT BRAVELY LIVE
22 WITH THIS DISEASE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NOW I'M GOING TO CALL UP DR.
25 MARLENE LUGG, WHO CO-CHAIRS OUR COUNTY'S IMMUNIZATION



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1 COALITION; MONICA MURPHY, WHO IS THE NURSING DIRECTOR FOR
2 IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM; AND DR. FIELDING, WHO IS OUR DIRECTOR OF
3 PUBLIC HEALTH. TODAY, EARLIER, THIS BOARD PROCLAIMED THE WEEK
4 OF SEPTEMBER 26TH THROUGH OCTOBER 2ND AS ADULT IMMUNIZATION
5 WEEK. WE ALSO DECLARED THE ENTIRE MONTH OF OCTOBER AS THE
6 KICKOFF MONTH FOR THE COUNTY'S ANNUAL INFLUENZA CAMPAIGN.
7 IMMUNIZATIONS ARE ONE OF THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAYS OF PROTECTING
8 AGAINST DISEASES. ADULTS ARE MORE LIKELY THAN CHILDREN TO
9 DEVELOP SERIOUS, SOMETIMES FATAL, COMPLICATIONS. MANY OF THESE
10 DISEASES ARE PREVENTABLE WITH THE RIGHT VACCINE. SO, IN LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY, INFLUENZA, COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE FLU, RESULTS
12 EACH YEAR IN MANY THOUSANDS OF HOSPITALIZATIONS AND MEDICAL
13 COMPLICATIONS, INCLUDING, UNFORTUNATELY, DEATH EACH YEAR. IT
14 DOESN'T HAVE TO BE THIS WAY BECAUSE THERE IS A SAFE AND
15 EFFECTIVE VACCINE TO PREVENT THIS VIRUS. SO WE'RE GOING TO
16 PRESENT TO DR. LUGG, FIRST OF ALL, THE ADULT IMMUNIZATION WEEK
17 AND THEN TO MONICA, OUR COUNTY'S INFLUENZA PREVENTION
18 CAMPAIGN. DR. LUGG?

19

20 **DR. MARLENE LUGG:** GOOD MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE
21 SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION TO PROVIDE AND
22 PROMOTE IMMUNIZATIONS AND TO REDUCE THE DISPARITIES IN
23 IMMUNIZATIONS AMONG LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS. THE
24 IMMUNIZATION COALITION OF L.A. COUNTY CONSISTS OF OVER A
25 HUNDRED ORGANIZATIONS AND WE'RE ALL WORKING TOWARDS THAT END.



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1 ON BEHALF OF MY BOARD OF DIRECTORS, I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU AND
2 WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR MISSION TO
3 ENHANCE THE HEALTH OF LOS ANGELES RESIDENTS. THANK YOU. [
4 APPLAUSE]

5

6 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** WE HAVE A REAL OPPORTUNITY TO REDUCE
7 THE TOLL FROM A VACCINE PREVENTABLE DISEASE. THIS YEAR, THERE
8 IS MORE VACCINE THAN THERE EVER WAS AND IT'S A GOOD IDEA FOR
9 EVERYBODY TO BE VACCINATED AGAINST INFLUENZA. IF WE DO THAT,
10 WE CAN GREATLY REDUCE THE NUMBER OF DEATHS FROM THIS
11 PREVENTABLE DISEASE, AT LEAST THE COMPLICATIONS, THE SERIOUS
12 COMPLICATIONS ARE PREVENTABLE. OUR COUNTY HAS SCHEDULED 189
13 CLINICS FROM OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER FOR THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE
14 OTHER SOURCES OF CARE. I WOULD POINT OUT ALSO THAT THIS YEAR,
15 FOR THE FIRST TIME, IT'S NOT ONLY ENCOURAGED BUT STRONGLY
16 RECOMMENDED FOR YOUNG CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF SIX AND 23
17 MONTHS. ANY CHILD THAT AGE SHOULD GET A FLU SHOT. SO I THINK
18 WE CAN MAKE PROGRESS, THERE IS PLENTY OF VACCINE AND WE'RE
19 REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO A VERY SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN. THANK
20 THE SUPERVISORS VERY MUCH FOR THEIR VERY STRONG SUPPORT. [
21 APPLAUSE]

22

23 **MONICA MURPHY:** THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROMOTE OUR
24 INFLUENZA PROGRAM THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT
25 YOU GET YOUR FLU SHOTS ALSO.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OH, WOW! WOW. THAT'S VERY GOOD. I MEAN, IF
3 WE-- YEAH, YOU JUST COME ON BACK AND GIVE US ALL OUR SHOTS.
4 WE'RE READY. I MEAN, WE GET SHOT EVERY TUESDAY, SO WHAT'S A--
5 NO.

6

7 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THIS IS ONLY ONE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANYWAY, OKAY, THANK YOU.
10 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, THIS IS THE
13 OPPORTUNITY THAT WE ALSO GET TO RECOGNIZE EIGHT OF THE
14 OUTSTANDING SCHOOLTEACHERS IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
15 FOR THE YEAR 2004/2005 SCHOOL YEAR AND THIS IS THROUGH THE
16 23RD ANNUAL COMPETITION ORGANIZED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
17 OFFICE OF EDUCATION. NOW, THESE EDUCATORS HAVE BEEN JUDGED BY
18 THEIR PEERS AS TO BE THOSE WHO ARE BEST IN PUBLIC EDUCATION
19 FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR. SEVERAL WITH US TODAY WILL COMPETE IN
20 NOVEMBER FOR CALIFORNIA'S TEACHER OF THE YEAR. THE FIVE
21 FINALISTS IN THE STATE CONTEST WILL THEN BE CONSIDERED FOR
22 THOSE NATIONAL HONORS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO HONORING THOSE NEXT
23 YEAR. JOINING WITH ME THIS MORNING IS DR. DARLENE ROBLES,
24 SUPERINTENDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION AND
25 THE FIRST RECIPIENT, WHO IS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE CHAIR AT MARK



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1 KEPLE HIGH SCHOOL IN THE ALHAMBRA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IS
2 GENE MCINTYRE, WHO IS ATTENDING WITH MELISSA HEDIFF AND STEVEN
3 CORNFIELD. GENE? [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM THE BREDHEART ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
6 IN-- OR SCHOOL IN THE BURBANK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IS LINDA
7 STRONG, WHO HAS CHOSEN TO COMPETE FOR CALIFORNIA TEACHER OF
8 THE YEAR. ALONG WITH HER IS OUR PRINCIPAL, DIANE BERGER AND
9 JOE SHAPIRO AND HER PARENTS, MARY AND WAYNE STRONG. [APPLAUSE
10]

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FROM THE CASTAIC MIDDLE SCHOOL IN THE CASTAIC
13 UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT, WE HAVE ALLISON HUNSICKER. SHE'S BEEN
14 CHOSEN TO COMPETE FOR CALIFORNIA TEACHER OF THE YEAR AS WELL.
15 [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** KIM LAVENGER, WHO IS THE FOURTH GRADE
18 INSTRUCTOR AT THOMAS A. EDISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE
19 GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, WHO HAS ALSO CHOSEN TO
20 COMPETE FOR CALIFORNIA TEACHER OF THE YEAR. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIRD GRADE INSTRUCTOR, REBECCA VUBINA AT
23 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE GLENDALE-- I SHOULD SAY THE GLENDORA
24 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND WITH HER IS PRINCIPAL TOM OR TIM



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1 NORTHROP AND SHE'S ALSO CHOSEN TO COMPETE FOR CALIFORNIA
2 TEACHER OF THE YEAR. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MATH INSTRUCTOR AT MESA INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
5 IN THE PALMDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT IS LINDA PERRY. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** KAREN BONSET, LANGUAGE ARTS AND READING
8 INSTRUCTOR AT HOLLENCREST MIDDLE SCHOOL IN THE WEST COVINA
9 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND WITH HER IS HER HUSBAND, TOM. [
10 APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND INSTRUCTOR OF ENGLISH, HISTORY,
13 INDEPENDENT PROJECTS, INSTRUCTOR FOR THE OPTIONS PROGRAM AT LA
14 CANADA HIGH SCHOOL IN THE LA CANADA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IS
15 MARY JANE HOFFSTETER AND WITH HER IS HER HUSBAND, GLEN AND HER
16 DAUGHTER, JAMIE. [APPLAUSE]

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. NOW WE HAVE A LITTLE 12-WEEK-OLD LITTLE
19 BOY. OH, NO, EXCUSE ME, LITTLE GIRL NAMED PENNY AND SHE IS A
20 TERRIER MIX WHO IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. A LITTLE TERRIER, SO
21 ANYBODY WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT TERRY, HE'S LOOKING FOR A
22 HOME, YOU CAN CALL THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AT THE BOTTOM OF YOUR
23 SCREEN. THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING ON TELEVISION, THAT TELEPHONE
24 NUMBER IS (562) 728-4644, OR THOSE IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD



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1 LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE TERRY. OKAY? 12 WEEKS OLD, LITTLE GIRL.

2 DON'T GET TOO NERVOUS NOW.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE ARE READY TO PROCEED WITH THE
5 AGENDA. OKAY. LET'S SEE. WE WILL PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA. I'M
6 GOING TO ASK WE PULL ONE-- I GUESS THERE'S SOME OTHER SCHEDULE
7 CONFLICTS-- PULL ONE ITEM OUT OF ORDER AND PROCEED WITH ITEM
8 NUMBER 24 BEFORE WE GO TO THE PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEM 24. WE
9 HAVE A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC, MR. RALPH MILLER, WHO IS SIGNED
10 UP TO SPEAK. [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE HERE ON THE PUBLIC
13 HEARING ITEMS, WE WILL START TO GO TO SOME OF THE PUBLIC
14 HEARING ITEMS AS SOON AS WE FOLLOW WITH THIS ITEM HERE. EXCUSE
15 ME. I HAVE PAUL ROLLER SIGNED UP AS WELL AS SUE CLINE AND
16 BLANE MEEK. IF THE THREE OF YOU WOULD COME UP AND JOIN RALPH,
17 PLEASE. OKAY, RALPH. DO YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD?

18

19 **RALPH MILLER:** OKAY. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. GOOD MORNING,
20 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RALPH MILLER. I'M PRESIDENT OF LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICERS UNION LOCAL 685. MY
22 UNION IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE COALITION OF COUNTY UNIONS AND
23 ALSO MY MEMBERS ARE MEMBERS OF THE CHOICEST PLAN. I'M ALSO THE
24 TREASURER OF THE COALITION OF COUNTY UNIONS. I'M HERE TODAY TO
25 TALK ABOUT CREDIBILITY, SPECIFICALLY THE CREDIBILITY OF THE



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1 COUNTY'S LARGEST HEALTHCARE PROVIDER, KAISER PERMANENTE. LAST
2 SUMMER, WHEN THE COALITION OF COUNTY UNIONS WAS NEGOTIATING A
3 NEW THREE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY, WE, LIKE EVERYONE,
4 WERE CONCERNED ABOUT HEALTHCARE INFLATION. KNOWING THAT KAISER
5 HAS HISTORICALLY BEEN A FRONTRUNNER IN SETTING PREMIUMS DURING
6 THE RATE RENEWAL PROCESS, WE CALLED THE KAISER EXECUTIVE, WHO
7 HAS FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS BEEN THE SENIOR PERSON ASSIGNED BY
8 KAISER TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE COMPANY WITH THE COUNTY AND
9 ASKED HIM TO MEET WITH US. DURING THAT SERIES OF MEETINGS, WE
10 ASKED THE KAISER EXECUTIVE WHAT KAISER, NOT WHAT HE PERSONALLY
11 BUT WHAT KAISER EXPECTED IN TERMS OF RATE INCREASES OVER THE
12 NEXT FEW YEARS. WE ALSO TOLD THE KAISER AGENT THAT, TOGETHER,
13 WE WANTED TO DO SOME SMART PLANNING TO IMPROVE THE WELLNESS OF
14 OUR MEMBERS AND CURB INAPPROPRIATE UTILIZATION OF KAISER
15 FACILITIES AND THUS REDUCE COSTS IN THE FUTURE. WE PUT
16 TOGETHER AN ELABORATE PRESENTATION ABOUT E.R. UTILIZATION AND
17 THE CHALLENGES FACING MEMBERS WHO USE KAISER FACILITIES THAT
18 DO NOT HAVE AN URGENT CARE CENTER. SUPERVISORS, LET ME TELL
19 YOU WHAT THE EXECUTIVE, THE KAISER AGENT, TOLD US ON BEHALF OF
20 KAISER AND, DESPITE WHAT YOU HAVE SINCE BEEN TOLD BY KAISER,
21 WE HAD NO REASON TO BELIEVE THAT HE DID NOT SPEAK ON BEHALF OF
22 THE COMPANY. NUMBER ONE, KAISER-- AND THEY TOLD US THREE
23 THINGS, KAISER TOLD THE COALITION THAT WE DID NOT NEED TO BE
24 CONCERNED ABOUT DOUBLE DIGIT INCREASES DURING THE THREE-YEAR
25 TERM OF THE COALITION'S FRIENDS CONTRACT. SPECIFICALLY, THE



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1 KAISER EXECUTIVES TOLD US, BECAUSE KAISER HAS EXPERIENCED A
2 LOSS OF ABOUT A HUNDRED THOUSAND MEMBERS IN CALIFORNIA, KAISER
3 HAS MADE A BUSINESS DECISION, A BUSINESS DECISION NOT AND I
4 REPEAT, NOT ON UTILIZATION EXPERIENCE BUT BASED ON A DESIRE TO
5 BUY BACK THEIR BOOKS OF BUSINESS TO ARTIFICIALLY HOLD DOWN--
6 HOLD RATES DOWN OVER THE FOLLOWING THREE YEARS. SPECIFICALLY,
7 KAISER SAID CLEARLY THAT RATE INCREASES WOULD BE BETWEEN FIVE
8 AND EIGHT PERCENT AND NO HIGHER. KAISER ALSO, NUMBER TWO, TOLD
9 THE COALITION THAT CO-PAYS DO NOT AFFECT UTILIZATION. CO-PAYS
10 DO NOTHING MORE THAN SHIFT COSTS FROM THE PREMIUM COLUMN TO
11 THE CO-PAY COLUMN. AND, NUMBER THREE, FINALLY, KAISER TOLD THE
12 COALITION THAT, THOUGH OUR ELABORATE PRESENTATION REGARDING
13 WELLNESS AND PLAN UTILIZATION WAS IMPRESSIVE, IT WAS
14 UNNECESSARY BECAUSE, (A) RATES ARE STAYING LOW AND, (B) CO-
15 PAYS ARE INEFFECTIVE. IN OTHER WORDS, THEY TOLD TO US TO SCRAP
16 OUR CREATIVE UTILIZATION WELLNESS PLAN THAT WE WERE INTENDING
17 TO PROPOSE TO THE COUNTY. WE DID AS THEY SUGGESTED BECAUSE WE
18 TRUSTED THEM, WE TRUSTED KAISER. BASED ON THIS, WE NEGOTIATED
19 A FRESH CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY THAT, AT A MINIMUM, COVERED
20 KAISER PREMIUMS FOR OUR MEMBERS. WE WERE PROUD OF THIS
21 CONTRACT AND WE TOLD OUR MEMBERS THAT WE WERE PROUD. WE WERE
22 ALSO PROUD TO TELL OUR MEMBERS THAT THEY WOULD HAVE NO NEW CO-
23 PAYS; I REPEAT, NO NEW CO-PAYS FOR THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT.
24 KAISER MADE THEIR PROMISE TO US AND WE MADE OUR PROMISE TO OUR
25 MEMBERS. SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE LIVED UP TO OUR PROMISE TO OUR



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1 MEMBERS. WE, UNLIKE KAISER, ARE PEOPLE OF OUR WORD. WE HAVE
2 NOTHING-- WE ARE NOTHING TO OUR MEMBERS WITHOUT OUR
3 CREDIBILITY. FINALLY, KAISER, HOWEVER, IS AN ENTIRELY
4 DIFFERENT STORY. KAISER HAS GONE BACK ON THEIR WORD. THEY'VE
5 SAID, "OOPS, WE DIDN'T MEAN WHAT WE SAID. IN FACT, THE GUY WHO
6 HAS REPRESENTED US AT THE COUNTY FOR YEARS DIDN'T EVEN HAVE
7 THE AUTHORITY TO SPEAK ON OUR BEHALF. OH AND BY THE WAY,
8 UNIONS, YOU CAN JOIN US IN GOING BACK ON OUR WORD BY GOING
9 BACK ON YOURS AND INCREASING CO-PAYS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE
10 CONTRACT." WE SAID NO WAY. AND OVER 6,000 OF OUR MEMBERS
11 SIGNED A PETITION HERE WHO ALSO SAY NO WAY. KAISER'S
12 CREDIBILITY IS SHOT AND THEY MUST WIN IT BACK. SUPERVISORS, AS
13 ONE OF THE COUNTY'S LARGEST VENDORS OF ANY KIND AND, YES,
14 SUPERVISORS, THEY WORK FOR YOU, YOU MUST TAKE STEPS TO ASSURE
15 THAT KAISER IS OPEN AND HONEST IN THE FUTURE. YOU MUST MOVE TO
16 FREEZE KAISER TODAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

19

20 **SUE CLINE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SUE CLINE AND I'M A DEPUTY
21 PROBATION OFFICER. I WORK AT CHALLENGER. I'M AN ASK-ME MEMBER,
22 LOCAL 685 AND I'VE BEEN IN KAISER FOR ALMOST 22 YEARS. I'M A
23 SINGLE MOM. I'M VERY UPSET ABOUT THE HUGE KAISER INCREASE. AS
24 A SINGLE MOM, I'M GOING TO HAVE TO ESSENTIALLY TAKE A PAY CUT,
25 A PAY CUT I CANNOT AFFORD, TO KEEP MY FAMILY IN KAISER. THIS



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1 MEANS THE DINNER THAT WE USUALLY SHARE ON FRIDAY NIGHT WON'T
2 HAPPEN, MY DAUGHTER'S BOOKS AT COMMUNITY COLLEGE WILL HAVE TO
3 BE PAID FOR ANOTHER WAY. SHE'LL HAVE TO HAVE A FULL-TIME JOB
4 AS WELL AS GOING TO SCHOOL. I JUST DON'T THINK I CAN AFFORD TO
5 STAY IN KAISER. I'M SERIOUSLY THINKING OF SWITCHING PLANS
6 DURING OPEN ENROLLMENT AND SO ARE MANY OF MY COWORKERS.
7 THEY'VE HAD ENOUGH. THERE'S OVER 5,000 IN THIS ONE. THIS IS
8 GOING TO CAUSE A DEATH SPIRAL IN THIS PLAN. KAISER IS ALREADY
9 COMPLAINING ABOUT LOSING MEMBERS AND THEIR BUSINESS DECISION
10 TO RAISE RATES BY MORE THAN 13% IS GOING TO CREATE EVEN MORE
11 PROBLEMS FOR THEM. HEALTHY PEOPLE LIKE ME ARE WALKING AWAY
12 FROM KAISER IN BIG NUMBERS AND THAT'S ONLY GOING TO CREATE A
13 BIGGER PROBLEM IN THE YEARS AHEAD. I DON'T SEE HOW KAISER CAN
14 SURVIVE IF YOU DON'T TAKE ACTION. AS A SIDE NOTE, WHEN I HEARD
15 KAISER WANTED TO INCREASE MY CO-PAYS FOR EMERGENCY ROOM VISITS
16 IN ORDER TO OFFSET THEIR INCREASES, I WAS EXTREMELY UPSET. IN
17 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WHERE I LIVE, URGENT CARE IS CUT OFF AT
18 11:00, SO IF MY KIDS WAKE UP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT SICK,
19 I HAVE TO GO SIT AT ANTELOPE VALLEY HOSPITAL FOR HOURS. I HAVE
20 NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO GO THERE. I CAN'T GET AN APPOINTMENT AT
21 URGENT CARE MANY TIMES. THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE GOOD
22 CARE THAT OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS WORKING IN KAISER PROVIDE.
23 THIS IS A MANAGEMENT PROBLEM. OR SHOULD I SAY A MISMANAGEMENT
24 PROBLEM. IT'S RIDICULOUS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

2

3 **BLANE MEEK:** SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
4 SPEAK TO YOU ON THIS MATTER. I'M BLANE MEEK. I'M COUNSEL TO
5 THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES. I ALSO
6 SERVE AS VICE CHAIR TO YOUR JOINT LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
7 IN THIS AREA, THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS ADVISORY COMMITTEE. LET'S
8 TALK ABOUT THE NUMBERS. I KNOW SEVERAL OF YOU ARE VERY
9 FAMILIAR WITH THE WAY HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAMS ARE NORMALLY
10 RATED IN THE RENEWAL PROCESS. IN THIS INSTANCE, KAISER HAS TWO
11 COMPONENTS. ONE IS A COMMUNITY-BASED RATE, THEY'VE HAD IT FOR
12 A NUMBER OF YEARS. THAT WAS THE NORMAL SYSTEM IN WHICH THEY
13 TOOK THE GROUP THAT THE COUNTY, BY ITS SIZE, WAS IN AND RATED
14 IT AS TO WHAT THEIR COSTS WERE GOING TO BE AND KIND OF POOLED
15 THOSE COSTS. THEY HAVE ADDED A COMPONENT, AND THIS IS THE
16 COMPONENT AT ISSUE, BECAUSE THE COMMUNITY RATE IS ONLY 8.2%, I
17 BELIEVE, AND THEY'RE CHARGING 13.3. THE DIFFERENCE IS WHAT
18 THEY CALL UTILIZATION. NOW, ANY OTHER PLAN THAT YOU HAVE,
19 WHETHER IT BE CIGNA, WHETHER IT BE PACIFCARE, ANY OF THE
20 UNION-SPONSORED PLANS HAVE THE ABILITY TO BE AUDITED. YOU
21 LITERALLY CAN GO IN AND SAY, "OKAY, YOU'RE PROPOSING "X" AS AN
22 INCREASE. LET'S SEE YOUR CLAIMS. LET'S SEE YOUR EXPERIENCE,"
23 AND THEN YOU BREAK IT DOWN FROM THERE. YOU CAN VALIDATE THE
24 NUMBER. IN THIS INSTANCE, AS TO THE UTILIZATION FACTOR OF 5%,
25 YOUR OWN CONSULTANT AND, ADMITTEDLY, THE BIGGEST CONSULTANT IN



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1 THE BUSINESS, MERCER, COULD NOT DO THAT FOR YOU. KAISER DID
2 NOT PRESENT THE VALIDATION FOR THAT 5%. THEY CLAIMED THAT IT
3 WAS THERE BUT THEY NEVER PRODUCED THE DOCUMENTATION THAT YOUR
4 CONSULTANTS WOULD EXPECT OF ANY OTHER INSURANCE COMPANY AND
5 THAT THEY GET FROM ALL OTHER INSURERS THAT THE COUNTY HAS.
6 THIS IS A FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEM THAT WE HAVE IN ACCEPTING THE
7 EXTRA 5% THAT THEY WANT TO TACK ON HERE. THE OTHER PROBLEM IS,
8 THEY'RE SAYING, WELL, WE'RE SICKER. WELL BUT OTHER AGENCIES OF
9 COMPARABLE POOLS ARE PAYING SUBSTANTIALLY LESS. FOR INSTANCE,
10 THE CITY IS AT 9.9%. L.A. UNIFIED IS AT 6.5%. THEY HAVE NO
11 DOCUMENTATION TO PROVE THAT WE ARE A SICKER POOL, YET WANT TO
12 CHARGE US AN EXTRA 5%. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, BLANE. [APPLAUSE]

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** PAUL?

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18 **PAUL ROLLER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'M PAUL
19 ROLLER. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE L.A. COUNTY
20 PROFESSIONAL PEACE OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION AND THE CHAIR OF THE
21 COALITION OF COUNTY UNIONS THAT REPRESENTS 37,000 OF YOUR
22 MEMBERS AND YOUR EMPLOYEES. SUPERVISORS, YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT
23 KAISER'S BAD FAITH ACTIONS WITH THE COALITION AND YOU'VE HEARD
24 ABOUT THEIR INABILITY TO VALIDATE THE 13.3% RATE INCREASE THIS
25 YEAR. YOU'VE ALSO HEARD THAT THERE'S NO WAY THAT WE CAN



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1 INCREASE OUR CO-PAYS DURING THE TERM OF THIS CONTRACT. WE NEED
2 YOUR HELP. WE ASK YOUR HELP TO GAIN CONTROL OF THE SITUATION.
3 KAISER IS TALKING ABOUT A 20% INCREASE NEXT YEAR ON TOP OF THE
4 13.3% THIS YEAR. WHEN WE SAT DOWN WITH THEIR VICE PRESIDENT
5 AND THEIR NEW PRESIDENT JUST A MONTH OR SO AGO, THEY TOLD US
6 THAT IT COULD GO AS HIGH AS 20% NEXT YEAR. WE CAN'T, YOU CAN'T
7 SIT IDLY BY AND LET THESE THINGS HAPPEN. THIS IS GOING TO HURT
8 THE TAXPAYERS AND IS CERTAINLY GOING TO HURT THE COUNTY
9 WORKERS. THE ONLY LEVERAGE YOU HAVE WITH KAISER IS THE
10 MARKETPLACE. AS A PRIVATE NOT-FOR-PROFIT COMPANY, YOU HAVE NO
11 ABILITY TO ASK FOR THEIR UTILIZATION NUMBERS. THEY CAN AGREE
12 TO OPEN THEIR BOOKS AND THEY MIGHT BUT THEY'LL PROBABLY ONLY
13 SHOW YOU WHAT THEY WANT YOU TO SEE AND NO MORE. THE FACT IS
14 THAT, UNTIL YOU GET THE UPPER HAND IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH
15 KAISER, THEY ARE GOING TO BE ABLE TO CHARGE WHATEVER THEY
16 WANT. WOULD YOU ACCEPT THAT FROM ANY OTHER VENDOR THAT WORKS
17 FOR THIS COUNTY, MUCH LESS ONE TO WHOM THE COUNTY PAYS
18 HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS A YEAR TO? SUPERVISORS, WE
19 URGE YOU TO AMEND THIS ITEM AND TO FREEZE KAISER ENROLLMENT IN
20 2005. WHAT WE'RE ASKING FOR IS THAT YOU LET NO NEW HIRES GO
21 INTO THE KAISER PLAN AND NO ONE SWITCH OVER TO THE KAISER
22 PLAN. THIS IS NOT AND I REPEAT NOT UNPRECEDENTED. YOU DID THIS
23 IN THE LATE '80S, YOU FROZE KAISER FOR TWO YEARS AND IT
24 WORKED. BASICALLY, WE ONLY HAD TO END UP FREEZING KAISER FOR
25 ONE YEAR BECAUSE THEY CAME AROUND, THEY STEPPED BACK UP TO THE



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1 TABLE AND THEY WERE MUCH MORE COOPERATIVE AND THE FREEZE WAS
2 LIFTED AFTER ONE YEAR. YES, THIS MAY BE A SHORT-TERM NEGATIVE
3 IMPACT ON KAISER ENROLLMENT BUT, QUITE FRANKLY, THEY'VE
4 CREATED THIS PROBLEM THEMSELVES BY PRICING THEMSELVES OUT OF
5 THE H.M.O. MARKET. THEY ARE TRULY IN A DEATH SPIRAL AND,
6 ALTHOUGH MARKET FORCES MAY EVENTUALLY BRING KAISER AROUND, WE
7 CAN'T WAIT THAT LONG. OUR MEMBERS WANT ONGOING ACCESS TO
8 KAISER. THEY LIKE KAISER AND MANY OF THEM ARE IN KAISER AND
9 THE GOOD CARE THAT THE UNION NURSES AND UNION DOCTORS PROVIDE
10 IN KAISER BUT THEY CAN'T AFFORD THESE HUGE UNACCOUNTABLE
11 INCREASES AND THEY'VE ASKED US TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. ON
12 BEHALF OF THE COALITION OF COUNTY UNIONS AND ITS 37 MEMBERS--
13 37,000 MEMBERS, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. THANKS A LOT. [
14 APPLAUSE]

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN? MAY I ASK A QUESTION?

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** SUPERVISOR...

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE, THEN SUPERVISOR
21 ANTONOVICH THEN SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WANTED TO JUST...

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WAIT.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH, I'M SORRY.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SORRY. SUPERVISOR BURKE FIRST, THEN MIKE
5 AND THEN YOU.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, FIRST OF ALL, I THINK THAT ANYONE WHO DOES
8 BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY SHOULD BE WILLING TO PROVIDE ALL OF
9 THE INFORMATION THAT'S UTILIZED IN TERMS OF THEIR RATES. IT
10 SEEMS TO ME THAT'S A BOTTOM LINE, THAT WE HAVE TO HAVE THE
11 DETAILED INFORMATION AS IT RELATES TO EXACTLY THOSE RATES. AND
12 I UNDERSTAND RATES ARE GOING UP EVERYWHERE BUT THIS IS-- WE'RE
13 A BIG CUSTOMER AND WE PROVIDE THEM WITH A LOT OF REVENUE AND
14 THESE ARE TOUGH DECISIONS THAT EVERYONE HAS TO MAKE AS FAR AS
15 DOING BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY AND THERE HAS TO BE SOME BOTTOM
16 LINE IN TERMS OF DOING BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY AND THAT
17 SHOULD INCLUDE GIVING ALL OF THE INFORMATION IN TERMS OF--
18 THAT THEY USE IN TERMS OF THEIR RATE STRUCTURES, AS FAR AS I'M
19 CONCERNED.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. MIKE?

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET ME ASK A QUESTION BECAUSE I APPRECIATE WHERE
24 YOU'RE COMING FROM AND THIS IS A CONCERN THAT WE'VE BEEN
25 RAISING FOR A LONG TIME IS THE ESCALATING COST OF HEALTHCARE,



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1 NOT JUST IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR, AS WE ARE AND THE CONCERNS THAT
2 WE'RE GOING INTO A DEFICIT EVERY SINGLE YEAR. BUT THE PRIVATE
3 INSURANCE COMPANIES AS WELL, ALL OF US WHO HAVE OUR OWN
4 PRIVATE INSURANCE ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE ESCALATING
5 COSTS. BUT YOUR PROPOSAL THAT YOU'RE MAKING, YOU KNOW, I LIKE
6 A BOLD MOVE BUT IT ALSO INTIMIDATES ME SOMEWHAT. CAN YOU JUST
7 TELL ME A LITTLE BIT MORE? I DO THINK WE SHOULD USE OUR
8 LEVERAGE. I THINK THAT'S ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL BUT YOU'RE
9 SAYING TO FREEZE ALL NEW EMPLOYEES OR ANYONE WHO WANTS TO
10 CHANGE OVER TO KAISER, TO NOT PERMIT THAT TO HAPPEN. WHAT
11 WOULD THAT MEAN? I MEAN, HOW DO YOU SEE THAT SCENARIO WORKING
12 OUT? WHAT WOULD THAT MEAN?

13

14 **PAUL ROLLER:** WELL, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WHAT IT WOULD MEAN IS
15 THAT NO ONE WOULD BE ABLE TO OBVIOUSLY GO INTO KAISER AND...

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS, I MEAN, LITERALLY, I KNOW
18 WHAT THAT MEANS, BELIEVE ME.

19

20 **PAUL ROLLER:** WHAT THAT WOULD MEAN FOR-- OKAY. WHAT WOULD IT
21 MEAN FOR KAISER IS THAT THEY WOULD GET A YEAR OLDER, THAT
22 THERE WOULD BE NO NEW FOLKS GOING IN. AN H.M.O., AS I
23 UNDERSTAND IT, IS MOST SUCCESSFUL WHEN THEY GET YOUNGER,
24 HEALTHIER PEOPLE AND THAT'S WHAT HELPS THE WHOLE PLAN FUNCTION
25 PROPERLY. IT WOULD MAKE KAISER UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE SERIOUS



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1 ABOUT THESE THINGS, THAT WHEN THEY CAME AND PROMISED US THE 5%
2 INCREASE IN '05 AND NO MORE THAN SINGLE DIGITS IN '06, THAT WE
3 EXPECT THEM TO MEET THOSE COMMITMENTS THAT THEY MADE TO US. SO
4 IT WOULD PUT PRESSURE ON THEM, JUST LIKE IT DID IN, I BELIEVE,
5 1989, TO GET THEM TO COME AROUND AND LOWER THEIR RATES AND BE
6 MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE COUNTY.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND FROM-- AS-- FROM A POINT OF VIEW OF AN
9 EMPLOYEE WHO WE GIVE "OPTIONS" OR CHOICES, HOW DO YOU FEEL
10 THEY WOULD FEEL ABOUT THAT KIND OF LIMITATION, EVEN THOUGH,
11 AGAIN, THEY-- IT'S-- I GUESS WHAT I'M INTERESTED IN IS I'M
12 INTERESTED IN DOING IT BUT IT'S JUST BEEN PROPOSED TO ME, AS
13 YOU JUST DID AND I WOULD LOVE US TO HAVE THE LEVERAGE, NOT
14 JUST WITH KAISER BUT WITH ALL OF THEM. I'VE BEEN CONCERNED
15 ABOUT CO-PAYS AND CONCERNED ABOUT ESCALATING COSTS WITHOUT
16 JUSTIFICATION. THEY DON'T TELL US AND WE'RE THE BIGGEST
17 EMPLOYER IN TOWN AND THE BIGGEST GORILLA, THEY SHOULD BE AT
18 LEAST LEVELING WITH US. BUT I'M CONCERNED AS TO WHAT DOES THAT
19 DO FOR THAT EMPLOYEE WHO ENJOYS THE KAISER PLAN AND NOW COMES
20 IN AND DOESN'T HAVE THAT OPTION?

21

22 **PAUL ROLLER:** WELL, WE'RE NOT SUGGESTING THAT THE FOLKS THAT
23 ARE IN KAISER HAVE TO MOVE OUT. THEY CAN STAY IN. WHAT WE'RE
24 SUGGESTING IS THAT NO NEW HIRES GO INTO KAISER FOR '05 AND
25 THAT NO ONE BE ALLOWED TO MOVE FROM ANOTHER PLAN INTO KAISER.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** AS AN OPTION, ISN'T ONE OF THE CHEAPEST
3 OPTIONS...

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5 **PAUL ROLLER:** NO.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY, THE LEAST EXPENSIVE OPTION?

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9 **BLAINE MEEK:** NOT ANY MORE.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** NOT ANY MORE?

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13 **BLAINE MEEK:** NOT ANYMORE.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THAT...

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17 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE PROBLEM, SUPERVISOR AND WE HAVE PLENTY OF
18 EXPERTS AROUND HERE, I'M NOT ONE OF THEM, IS, IF YOU PREVENT
19 THE YOUNGER PEOPLE FROM GOING INTO A PLAN, THE PLAN IS GOING
20 TO BECOME EVEN MORE EXPENSIVE BECAUSE YOU HAVE THE SICKER
21 PEOPLE IN THE PLAN. SO WE DON'T SUPPORT THEIR RECOMMENDATION.
22 WE ARE VERY SYMPATHETIC WITH THE CONCERNS THAT THEY HAVE,
23 HOWEVER BUT IT WOULD EVENTUALLY LEAD TO A PLAN THAT WAS
24 UNAFFORDABLE FOR ANYONE. SO YOU NEED TO BE ABLE TO BRING NEW
25 PEOPLE INTO A PLAN.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. SO LET'S SAY THAT THAT DOESN'T NECESSARILY
3 PUT US IN A POSITION TO REALLY LEVERAGE BUT THE REALITY IS IS
4 THAT I DO THINK THAT WE NEED TO BRING THEM TO THE TABLE AND
5 THERE HAS TO BE MORE DIRECT, STRAIGHTFORWARD DEALING ABOUT
6 THESE ESCALATING COSTS. AND I KNOW EVERYBODY CAN SAY IT'S
7 EVERYTHING ELSE BUT AS YOU AND I HAVE TALKED ABOUT THIS ON A
8 REGULAR BASIS, I AM VERY CONCERNED AS TO WHAT'S GOING ON IN
9 THE PRIVATE PAY INSURANCE. AND, AS THE LARGEST EMPLOYER, WE
10 SHOULD HAVE SOME LEVERAGE AND WE'RE NOT USING IT AT ALL. AND I
11 DON'T WANT TO PENALIZE KAISER OR PENALIZE EMPLOYEES, BUT I DO
12 WANT TO CREATE AND NOT JUST FOR KAISER, FOR EVERY SINGLE ONE
13 OF US. THEY OWE US A DUTY TO TELL US WHY THESE ESCALATING
14 COSTS. I MEAN, I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE MY CO-PAY GOES THREE-
15 QUARTERS OF THE TIME AND I DON'T KNOW THAT THERE-- YOU KNOW,
16 IF I VISIT THE DOCTOR 22 TIMES IN ONE YEAR, THAT SHOULD BE,
17 YOU KNOW, A DIFFERENCE IN SOMEBODY THAT DIDN'T, SO THE CO-PAY
18 IS SUPPOSED TO-- I MEAN, I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT'S SUPPOSED TO
19 DISCOURAGE ME FROM VISITING THE DOCTOR BUT, AT THE SAME TIME,
20 I DON'T KNOW THAT THAT NECESSARILY IS WORKING OUT BECAUSE
21 NOBODY HAS GIVEN US ANY CHARTING OR ANY INFORMATION ABOUT
22 WHETHER CO-PAY IS A DETERRENT TO THOSE PEOPLE WHO VISIT THE
23 DOCTOR OFTEN, OR IS IT REALLY HELPING DEFRAID THE COST? IT'S
24 SORT OF OUT THERE AND WE KEEP BEING TOLD IT'S GONNA-- WE KEEP
25 BRINGING IT UP AND MAKING IT LARGER BUT IT'S NOT NECESSARILY



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1 BRINGING DOWN THE COST OF THAT PREMIUM. AND SO I GUESS I'M
2 ASKING YOU, THEIR PROPOSAL MAY BE NOT THE BEST WAY TO GO BUT
3 HOW IS IT THAT WE DO GAIN MORE LEVERAGE AND HAVE MORE DIRECT
4 ACCOUNTABILITY AND BRING THEM TO THE TABLE TO DISCUSS HOW
5 THESE ESCALATING COSTS-- I MEAN, THERE'S GOING TO BE A POINT
6 IN TIME WHERE IT'S GOING TO BE TOTALLY UNAFFORDABLE FOR ALL OF
7 US. SO WHAT DO WE DO?

8

9 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** SUPERVISOR, I THINK I'M GOING TO DEFER. TWO OF
10 YOUR COLLEAGUES HAVE MOTIONS TODAY THAT ARE GOING TO ADDRESS
11 THAT ISSUE, SO I WOULD DEFER TO THEM BUT THE FIRST THING IS TO
12 FIND OUT WHAT IN THE HELL IS GOING ON IN THESE ORGANIZATIONS,
13 BOTH FROM A RATE-SETTING STANDPOINT AND UTILIZATION AS WELL.
14 WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT EMPLOYEES ARE USING THE SYSTEM, HOW
15 THEY'RE USING IT AND THEN HOW CAN WE DEAL WITH THAT PART OF IT
16 AS WELL.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** DO WE ANALYZE THAT OR DO THEY ANALYZE THAT?

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** NO, WE DON'T GET THE DATA. SO THE MOTIONS, I
21 THINK, ARE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I AGREE WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR. I MEAN, AT
24 LEAST AT SOME POINT, WE NEED TO BE A FACILITATOR OF TRYING TO
25 BRING THE FOLKS TO THE TABLE HERE TO JUSTIFY WHATEVER,



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1 PARTICULARLY, IF, YOU KNOW, THEY FEEL STRONGLY THAT THEY HAVE
2 THIS HANDSHAKE AGREEMENT THAT, YOU KNOW, THAT THEY WERE GOING
3 TO BE ABLE TO WORK WITH YOU, AND IT'S TOTALLY UNJUSTIFIED. I
4 KNOW THERE'S A COUPLE OF MOTIONS, I THINK...

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I DO HAVE A MOTION I'VE PASSED OUT AND,
7 BASICALLY...

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME. CAN I JUST-- I FORGOT.

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11 **SUP. BURKE:** OH, MIKE. OH, SURE. SURE.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GOING BACK, ONE SUGGESTION, THAT I'VE MADE IN
16 THE PAST, IF ALL OF THE EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS COULD JOIN US
17 AS ONE OR WHATEVER FOR A BETTER ECONOMY OF SCALE WHEN WE
18 NEGOTIATE FOR LOWER RATES FOR ALL OF THE INSURANCE COMPANIES
19 THAT YOU NEGOTIATE WITH WOULD BE A GOOD EFFORT OF REDUCING
20 COSTS FOR YOUR MEMBERS AND THAT'S SOMETHING YOU HAVE TO WORK
21 OUT AMONGST YOURSELVES BUT OUGHT TO BE ON THE TABLE IN FUTURE
22 NEGOTIATIONS. MR. JANSSEN, AGAIN, WHAT ASSURANCE DO YOU HAVE
23 THAT KAISER IS GOING TO ALLOW THEIR BOOKS TO BE OPENED? FOR
24 THAT IMPORTANT AUDIT?

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1 **ANGELA GEORGE:** SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE BEEN HAVING DETAILED
2 MEETINGS WITH KAISER OVER THE LAST SEVERAL WEEKS. WE WERE ABLE
3 TO GET, FOR THE FIRST TIME, INFORMATION ON THE COUNTY'S
4 UTILIZATION. IT'S NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION BUT KAISER HAS
5 AGREED, IN A WRITTEN LETTER TO US, TO ALLOW US TO WORK WITH
6 THEM, TO GET THE INFORMATION THAT WE NEED TO DEVELOP RATES IN
7 THE FUTURE, AS WELL AS ANALYZE THE UTILIZATION BY OUR
8 EMPLOYEES. IF WE KNOW WHAT SERVICES THEY'RE UTILIZING, IF WE
9 KNOW WHAT PRESCRIPTION DRUGS THEY'RE UTILIZING, THEN WE CAN
10 MAKE A DETERMINATION HOW TO COME BACK AND MAYBE PREPARE A
11 WELLNESS PROGRAM FOR THEM IN ORDER TO LOWER THEIR COSTS. SO
12 KAISER HAS AGREED TO OPEN UP THE RECORDS TO US, WORK WITH US
13 SO WE GET A BETTER HANDLE EARLY ON AND THIS PROCESS IS GOING
14 TO START IMMEDIATELY.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'VE BEEN TOLD THAT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
17 HAS A PROVISION IN THEIR CONTRACT THAT THEY WOULD HAVE FULL
18 ACCESS TO KAISER INFORMATION. IS THAT CORRECT? AND DOES THIS
19 CONTRACT BEING PROPOSED TODAY HAVE THAT SAME LANGUAGE?

20

21 **ANGELA GEORGE:** I DON'T KNOW WHAT PROVISION IS IN THE STATE OF
22 CALIFORNIA'S CONTRACT. I DO KNOW THAT THEY HAVE A VERY
23 ELABORATE SYSTEM THAT ANALYZES THE DATA FOR THEIR MEMBERS AND,
24 BASED ON THAT UTILIZATION, THEY HAVE A BETTER WAY OF
25 DETERMINING HOW THEIR MEMBERS ARE ACCESSING THE SYSTEM. AND



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1 WE'VE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO SEE
2 EXACTLY WHAT THEY DO AND WHETHER THAT SYSTEM COULD BE
3 REPLICATED HERE IN THE COUNTY.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF THEY HAVE BOILERPLATE INFORMATION THAT ALL
6 OF THEIR INFORMATION HAS TO BE AVAILABLE FOR AN AUDIT, COULD
7 WE THEN INCLUDE THAT AT THE COUNTY LEVEL?

8

9 **ANGELA GEORGE:** I'D HAVE TO SEE THE LANGUAGE TO MAKE THAT
10 DETERMINATION. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT IT IS BOILERPLATE
11 LANGUAGE. I THINK EACH CONTRACT IS-- PROBABLY HAS SPECIFIC
12 LANGUAGE FOR THE ENTITY THAT IT'S REPRESENTING BUT, LIKE I
13 SAID, I HAVE NOT SEEN THE STATE'S LANGUAGE.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW CAN WE INCLUDE THAT LANGUAGE IN THE
16 COUNTY CONTRACT?

17

18 **ANGELA GEORGE:** WE WILL REQUEST A COPY FROM THE STATE OF
19 CALIFORNIA.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE RATE INCREASES FOR 660 IS LESS THAN THE
22 COALITION. WHAT HAVE-- WHAT HAS THE 660 AGREED TO TO LOWER
23 THEIR RATES?

24



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1 **ANGELA GEORGE:** 660 HAS AGREED TO PLAN MODIFICATIONS. AS FAR AS
2 RAISING THE COST FOR THE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND THE OFFICE
3 VISIT AS WELL AS AGREEING TO A 50-DOLLAR CO-PAY FOR EMERGENCY
4 ROOMS.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT HAVE BEEN OUR EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE
7 KAISER TO INCREASE THEIR URGENT CARE IN ORDER TO DECREASE
8 THEIR EMERGENCY ROOM SERVICES?

9

10 **ANGELA GEORGE:** WE HAVEN'T ASKED KAISER TO INCREASE THEIR
11 URGENT CARE. WE ARE GETTING THE UTILIZATION ON HOW MANY OF OUR
12 EMPLOYEES ACTUALLY UTILIZE THE EMERGENCY ROOM TO SEE WHETHER
13 IT'S A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE EMPLOYEES FOR THE HIGHER RATE
14 AND IT APPEARS THAT IT'S NOT A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF
15 EMPLOYEES. ONE OF THE GOVERNING FACTORS IS, IN CERTAIN AREAS,
16 WHETHER THERE IS URGENT CARE AVAILABLE AND HOW LONG THAT
17 URGENT CARE IS AVAILABLE AND THEN WHERE WOULD THEY HAVE TO GO
18 FOR THE EMERGENCY ROOM VISITS? SO WE ARE LOOKING AT THAT DATA.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OUR BOARD LETTER STATES THAT KAISER'S HAD THE
21 HIGHEST PRICE H.M.O. FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS. WHAT HAS THE
22 COUNTY DONE TO MONITOR THOSE INCREASES AND WHY DID WE ALLOW
23 THOSE INCREASES TO CONTINUE?

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1 **ANGELA GEORGE:** I DON'T HAVE AN ANSWER FOR THAT, ONLY THAT THIS
2 YEAR WAS THE FIRST YEAR THAT WE ACTUALLY GOT DETAILED
3 INFORMATION, NOT SUFFICIENT BUT MORE THAN WHAT WE'VE EVER
4 GOTTEN IN THE PAST ON THE RATE INCREASES AND WHAT'S DRIVING
5 THEM FROM KAISER. IN PAST YEARS, I DON'T KNOW WHY THE
6 INFORMATION WASN'T AVAILABLE OR WHY WE DID NOT REQUEST THE
7 INFORMATION.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE BOARD LETTER STATES THAT THE KAISER
10 INCREASE IS 13.3%. HOWEVER, THAT APPEARS TO BE ABOVE THE
11 COMMUNITY RATE INCREASE BY-- QUOTED TO MANY CUSTOMERS. WHY IS
12 THE COMMUNITY RATE CURRENTLY AND WHAT IS THE CURRENT COMMUNITY
13 RATE?

14

15 **ANGELA GEORGE:** I BELIEVE THE COMMUNITY RATE IS SOMEWHERE
16 AROUND 8%, 8 OR 9% AND WE ASKED THAT VERY QUESTION TO KAISER.
17 WE ALSO ASK IT OF OUR CONSULTANT AS WELL AS OTHER
18 JURISDICTIONS AND YOUR ACTUAL RATE FOR YOUR PLAN IS BASED ON
19 THE EMPLOYEES' UTILIZATION OF THE PLAN, SO IT HAS A LOT TO DO
20 WITH OUR EMPLOYEES AND WHETHER THEY'RE ACTUALLY SICKER THAN
21 THE COMMUNITY POPULATION AND WHAT IS DRIVING THOSE RATES AND
22 WHETHER OUR BENEFITS ARE RICHER THAN THE OTHER GOVERNMENTAL
23 ENTITIES. NOW, WE'VE LOOKED AT SEVERAL OF THEM. SOME OF THEM
24 ACTUALLY HAVE THE PLAN THAT IS BEING RECOMMENDED TODAY AS FAR
25 AS INCREASING THE CO-PAY AND THE 50-DOLLAR EMERGENCY ROOM



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1 VISIT. OTHER ONES DO NOT. SO THEIR LOWER RATE IS BASED ON
2 UTILIZATION AND PLAN DESIGN.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THIS IS STILL OVER 5% HIGHER THAN THE
5 COMMUNITY RATE.

6

7 **ANGELA GEORGE:** THAT IS CORRECT.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE YOU SAYING THAT THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES HAVE
10 ACCESSED THEIR SERVICES MORE THAN THE COMMUNITY HAS
11 PERCENTAGE-WISE?

12

13 **ANGELA GEORGE:** I DON'T KNOW THAT FOR SURE. THAT'S ONE OF THE
14 THINGS THAT WE'RE LOOKING INTO.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT HOW CAN WE ESTABLISH A RATE AND LOCK IN
17 THAT RATE IF WE DON'T HAVE ALL THE FACTS?

18

19 **ANGELA GEORGE:** WELL, PART OF IT WAS THE WHOLE RATE RENEWAL
20 PROCESS AND THE TIME THAT IT TAKES AND WHEN WE STARTED ASKING
21 FOR DETAILED INFORMATION FROM KAISER AND THE OTHER IS WE DID
22 GET SOME INFORMATION ON WHAT IS AVERAGE UTILIZATION BY MEMBERS
23 AND HOW OUR MEMBERS COMPARED TO OTHER MEMBERS. FOR EXAMPLE, IN
24 THE AREA OF-- I'M SORRY. I'M THINKING ABOUT IN THE AREA OF--
25 AS FAR AS WOMEN GOING INTO THE HOSPITAL AND GIVING BIRTH, THAT



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1 THE AVERAGE STAY, THAT IS, THE COMMUNITY RATE IS BASED ON IS
2 BASED ON. IT'S BASED ON ONE DAY. THE AVERAGE STAY FOR COUNTY
3 EMPLOYEES ON THE INFORMATION THAT WE GOT WAS TWO DAYS. THAT'S
4 PART OF THE FACTOR THAT THEY USE IN DETERMINING WHAT OUR RATE
5 IS. THERE'S OTHER FACTORS, SO THEY HAVE A BASELINE THAT THEY
6 TAKE A LOOK AT.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE...

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10 **ANGELA GEORGE:** I'M NOT...

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** DID YOU QUESTION IT?

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14 **ANGELA GEORGE:** YES, WE DID.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WHAT WAS THE REASON THAT OURS WAS TWO AND
17 THEIRS WAS ONE?

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SPEAK INTO THE MIKE.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH, NO, I'M JUST-- SHE'S JUST GIVING ME
22 INFORMATION BUT I'M JUST REACTING TO IT. SHE SAID THAT
23 DELIVERY FOR OTHER-- NON-COUNTY IS ONE DAY AND FOR A COUNTY
24 EMPLOYEES IS TWO DAYS.

25



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1 **ANGELA GEORGE:** NO, I SAID THAT'S WHAT KAISER USES TO DEVELOP
2 THEIR RATE, IS THAT A AVERAGE STAY...

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW. AND SO YOU CHANNELING IT?

5

6 **ANGELA GEORGE:** YES, WE DID CHALLENGE IT, BECAUSE WE DIDN'T
7 FEEL THAT TWO DAYS WAS OUT OF THE NORM FOR A WOMAN DELIVERING
8 A CHILD. AND SO THAT'S WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING, IS GOING INTO
9 THEIR DATABASE AND DIGGING DOWN INTO THE INFORMATION AND
10 COMING UP WITH ANSWERS TO OUR NUMEROUS QUESTIONS AS TO WHY
11 THEY'RE DOING WHAT THEY'RE DOING.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT IT'S ONE THING TO CHALLENGE
14 THEM, OKAY? IT'S LIKE WHEN SOME OF YOU FIND SOMEBODY THAT
15 SHORTCHANGES YOU, YOU CORRECT THEM BUT, YOU KNOW, THAT'S A
16 PRETTY OBVIOUS ONE, THOUGH.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK A QUESTION. IN THE '80S, THE
19 COUNTY DID IMPOSE A FREEZE ON HEALTH PLANS, SO WE'VE DONE
20 THAT. DO WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO IMPOSE A FEES-- FREEZE FOR NEW
21 HIRES?

22

23 **ANGELA GEORGE:** SUPERVISOR, I WAS NOT ABLE TO FIND ANY
24 DOCUMENTATION THAT WE ACTUALLY FROZE OUT A HEALTH PLAN DURING



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1 THE '80S. I KNOW THAT THE UNIONS WERE STATING THAT BUT OUR
2 STAFF WAS NOT ABLE TO MAKE THAT DETERMINATION.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO FREEZE NEW HIRES
5 OUT OF PARTICULAR HEALTH PLANS?

6

7 **ANGELA GEORGE:** YES, THE BOARD HAS THAT ABILITY TO DO THAT.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHEN YOU HAVE A RECORD BEFORE THE COUNTY THAT
10 INDICATES THEIR RATES ARE 5% HIGHER, THERE'S BEEN A CONTINUED
11 PROBLEM WITH THEIR-- THE ECONOMICS OF THEIR SERVICES THAT
12 THEY'RE PROVIDING, WOULD THAT NOT GET THE ATTENTION OF KAISER
13 THAT THEY HAVE TO BE OPEN AND ACCOUNTABLE?

14

15 **ANGELA GEORGE:** YES, IT DID GET THEIR ATTENTION. THIS IS THE
16 FIRST TIME, LIKE I SAID, THAT WE ACTUALLY GOT SOMETHING IN
17 WRITING SAYING THAT THEY ARE WILLING TO OPEN UP THEIR RECORDS
18 TO US ON THE COUNTY'S UTILIZATION SO WE CAN MAKE A
19 DETERMINATION AS TO WHAT'S GOING ON.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT WOULD SEEM, IF WE TOOK ACTION TO FREEZE
22 NEW HIRES ON KAISER ENROLLMENT, YOU WOULD HAVE BETTER
23 ACCOUNTABILITY FROM KAISER SO THAT THE NEXT ROUND, WHEN THEY
24 COME UP AGAIN IN THAT NEXT CYCLE, YOU WOULD HAVE FULL
25 PARTICIPATION BY BOTH SIDES SITTING DOWN AND GETTING THE



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1 ACTUAL FACTS. AND THEN OUR PROJECTED INCREASES OR DECREASES
2 WOULD BE MORE COMPARABLE TO THE COMMUNITY RATE THAN THEY HAVE
3 BEEN WITH THE PROPOSAL BEFORE US TODAY OR DURING THE PAST FIVE
4 YEARS.

5

6 **ANGELA GEORGE:** POSSIBLY BUT IT CAN ALSO HAVE A COUNTER-
7 REACTION IN THAT THE NEWER EMPLOYEES THAT WERE GOING IN, IF
8 THEY'RE HEALTHIER EMPLOYEES, OKAY, PART OF THE REASON THAT
9 YOUR RATE IS BASED ON IS HAVING A COMBINATION OF HEALTHY
10 EMPLOYEES AS WELL AS NOT-SO-HEALTHY EMPLOYEES AND IT KIND OF
11 AVERAGES OUT YOUR COST. SO IF THE NEWER EMPLOYEES ARE
12 HEALTHIER, IF THEY'RE NOT GOING INTO THE KAISER PLAN, THEN THE
13 KAISER PLAN WILL HAVE YOUR MORE SICKER EMPLOYEES, GREATER
14 UTILIZATION ON THE SERVICES, AND IT CAN HAVE JUST THE OPPOSITE
15 EFFECT OF WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT I DON'T SEE THE COUNTY BEING THAT FAR OUT
18 OF SYNC WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS OF KAISER. I MEAN, OUR RATE IS,
19 YOU KNOW, 5% HIGHER, AND YET COUNTY EMPLOYEES GO THROUGH, YOU
20 KNOW, PHYSICALS AND WE DON'T HAVE A RECORD OF HIRING, YOU
21 KNOW, PEOPLE ON LIFE SUPPORT.

22

23 **ANGELA GEORGE:** [LAUGHTER] THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR BUT
24 WHAT WE DON'T HAVE IS THE DETAILED INFORMATION FROM OTHER
25 GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES. THEY NEED-- BESIDES KAISER OPENING UP



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1 THEIR BOOKS FOR HOW OUR EMPLOYEES ARE UTILIZING THE SYSTEM AND
2 WHAT SERVICES THEY'RE UTILIZING, WE ALSO NEED TO KNOW WHAT THE
3 OTHER ENTITY'S POPULATION IS DOING AND THEN WE CAN GET A
4 COMPARISON BETWEEN THE TWO AND THAT'S NOT FROM KAISER, THAT'S
5 FROM THE OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES ALLOWING US TO GO THROUGH
6 THEIR DATA TO SEE IF OUR POPULATIONS ARE THE SAME, IF THEY'RE
7 DOING SOMETHING DIFFERENT THAT WE'RE NOT DOING, IF THEY'RE
8 EDUCATING THEIR EMPLOYEES BETTER THAN WE ARE, OR WE HAVE THE
9 SAME POPULATION AND THEN SOMETHING ELSE IS DRIVING THE RATE
10 DIFFERENCE.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** THERE'S NOTHING IN HERE. WHERE IS IT?

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, WHEN WE HAVE OUR MOTIONS, I'D LIKE TO
15 MOVE THAT WE DIRECT THE C.A.O. AND DIRECT THE HUMAN RESOURCES
16 TO INCORPORATE LANGUAGE IN ALL COUNTY CONTRACTS WITH KAISER
17 PERMANENTE WHICH ALLOWS ACCESS TO ALL INFORMATION PERTAINING
18 TO RATE INCREASES WHICH PROVIDES THE COUNTY WITH THE MECHANISM
19 TO AUDIT RATE INCREASES PUT FORWARD BY KAISER. SO I'D LIKE TO
20 MAKE THAT MOTION AND IF WE WOULD HAVE TWO OTHER VOTES, I'D
21 MAKE THE MOTION THAT WE PUT A FREEZE FOR NEW HIRES ON KAISER.

22 [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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1 **SUP. BURKE:** I THINK THERE SHOULD BE KAISER AS WELL AS ALL THE
2 OTHER UNIONS SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THE INFORMATION BUT
3 LET ME ASK YOU ABOUT YOUR MOTION AS FAR AS THE FREEZE. ARE YOU
4 PROPOSING THE FREEZE FOR CERTAIN UNIONS? BECAUSE MY QUESTION
5 WOULD BE, 660 HAS WORKED OUT WHAT THEY BELIEVE IS A PLAN
6 THAT'S GOOD FOR THEIR WORKERS AND THEY HAVE WORKERS WHO MAY
7 REALLY NEED KAISER FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS OTHER THAN TO GO TO
8 OTHER HOSPITALS, SO I-- ARE YOU PROPOSING IN YOUR FREEZE THAT
9 IT WOULD APPLY ONLY TO THOSE UNIONS THAT ARE-- CERTAIN UNIONS
10 HERE WHO ARE THE ONES WHO HAVE NOT ENTERED INTO THE AGREEMENT
11 SUCH AS 660? BECAUSE I WOULD THINK, IF 660 HAS DETERMINED THEY
12 HAVE WHAT THEY BELIEVE IS BEST FOR THEIR WORKERS, THAT THEY
13 SHOULDN'T BE FORCED TO-- THAT THEIR NEW WORKERS SHOULD NOT BE
14 FORCED TO GIVE UP WHAT THEY HAVE DETERMINED.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD INCLUDE ALL UNIONS BUT IF, YOU KNOW,
17 IF WE DON'T HAVE TWO OTHER VOTES FOR ALL UNIONS, THEN THOSE
18 UNIONS EXCLUDING 660. I MEAN, WE'RE GOING IN A DIRECTION TO
19 RESTORE ACCOUNTABILITY TO KAISER AND, AGAIN, THOSE RATE
20 INCREASES HAVE JEOPARDIZED OUR EMPLOYEES' ABILITY TO PAY FOR
21 THEIR AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, I NEED TO CLARIFY SOMETHING HERE
24 FIRST. PARDON ME?

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, I JUST WANTED HIM TO REPEAT THE VERBAL
2 PART OF HIS MOTION.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, I JUST-- YEAH BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY,
5 I THOUGHT, WERE YOU REFERRING TO REPRESENTATIVE OR NON-
6 REPRESENTATIVE? YOU CAN FREEZE OUT ON YOUR OWN. RIGHT?

7

8 **PAUL ROLLER:** WE WERE REFERRING TO THE FOLKS THAT ARE IN THE
9 CHOICEST PLAN, WHICH ARE THE FOLKS THAT ARE IN THE COALITION
10 OF COUNTY UNIONS.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND YOU CAN'T FREEZE OUT ON YOUR OWN THERE
13 THROUGH THE COALITION?

14

15 **BLAINE MEEK:** NO.

16

17 **PAUL ROLLER:** WE CANNOT STOP PEOPLE FROM JOINING KAISER UNLESS
18 YOU ALLOW THAT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MIKE, ZEV WANTED YOU TO REPEAT WHAT YOUR
21 VERBAL MOTION WAS.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'M SAYING IF WE HAD TWO OTHER VOTES, I WOULD
24 SUPPORT A FREEZE ON NEW HIRES FOR KAISER. AND THEN SUPERVISOR
25 BURKE ASKED WOULD THAT INCLUDE ALL UNIONS? AND I SAID...



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY A FREEZE ON NEW HIRES?
3 YOU MEAN A FREEZE ON NEW HIRES GOING INTO KAISER?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES, YES.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST-- I UNDERSTAND AND-- MAYBE I
8 DON'T UNDERSTAND. I TOTALLY AGREE WITH THE FRUSTRATION AND THE
9 OUTRAGE THAT'S EXPRESSED. I THINK A LOT OF US FEEL IT QUITE
10 DIRECTLY AND IF NOT, WE CERTAINLY CAN APPRECIATE WHAT'S GOING
11 ON. BUT DOES FREEZING ENTRY INTO KAISER HELP ADVANCE THE GOAL
12 THAT WE ALL WANT TO SEE ACHIEVED OR DOES IT HINDER US? DOESN'T
13 FREEZING, IF WE COULD FREEZE AND I DON'T KNOW IF WE CAN BUT
14 SUPPOSE WE COULD FREEZE, PREVENT OUR EMPLOYEES FROM GOING INTO
15 KAISER, NEW EMPLOYEES FROM GOING INTO KAISER, DOES THAT--
16 DOESN'T THAT EXACERBATE THE PROBLEM, WHATEVER IT IS, THAT'S
17 BRINGING KAISER TO THIS POINT?

18

19 **BLAINE MEEK:** THE PROBLEM YOU HAVE, SUPERVISOR AND I'LL JUST BE
20 STRAIGHT UP-FRONT WITH YOU.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** PLEASE.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** YOU DON'T HAVE ANY LEVERAGE WITH KAISER OTHER THAN
25 THAT. I MEAN, THE REALITY IS THAT AN H.M.O. LIKE KAISER



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1 DEPENDS UPON YOU-- IT'S GETTING NEW EMPLOYEES IN, NEW FAMILIES
2 IN. IF YOU'RE GOING TO HURT KAISER, IF YOU'RE GOING TO GET
3 THEIR ATTENTION, IF YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE ANY LEVERAGE IN
4 KAISER, IT IS BY FREEZING KAISER AND THAT WAS PROVEN IN THE
5 PAST IN OUR EXPERIENCE. THERE IS A RISK TO IT, SURE, THAT
6 KAISER WILL COME BACK AND SAY, "OKAY, OUR EXPERIENCE HAS
7 WORSENERED" BUT THE PROBLEM IS, THEY CAN'T PROVE THE EXPERIENCE
8 TODAY, HOW THE HELL ARE THEY GOING TO PROVE IT TOMORROW?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT THEY DON'T HAVE TO PROVE IT.

11

12 **BLAINE MEEK:** NO BUT I'M JUST SAYING...

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AT LEAST AS OF NOW, THEY HAVEN'T HAD TO
15 PROVE IT.

16

17 **BLAINE MEEK:** RIGHT. AND THE PROBLEM IS, I DON'T KNOW THAT EVEN
18 KAISER-- YOU KNOW, KAISER WAS BUILT ON A TOTALLY DIFFERENT
19 PREMISE, IN REALITY. IT WAS BASED ON THIS COMMUNITY RATE.
20 THEY'RE SHIFTING THROUGH UTILIZATION. TO DO THAT, THAT'S A
21 WHOLE CULTURE SHIFT. THEY COULD VERY WELL NOT EVEN HAVE THE
22 NUMBERS, THAT THESE ARE JUST GUESSTIMATES ON THEIR PART. IF
23 THEY DO HAVE THE NUMBERS, THEY'RE NOT SHARING THEM WITH US.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MY ONLY QUESTION IS AND, YOU KNOW, I COME
2 FROM A HERITAGE WHICH COINED THE PHRASE THE MASONIC COMPLEX,
3 AND THOSE WHO KNOW AND THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW, IT'S JUST AS
4 WELL. [LAUGHS] AND I GET-- I KIND OF GET A LITTLE OF THE
5 MASONIC COMPLEX KIND OF A FEEL TO THIS, IN OTHER WORDS, THAT
6 YOU WITHHOLD MEMBERSHIP TO THEIR ORGANIZATION, TO THE PROGRAM,
7 YOU'RE WITHHOLDING FUNDS FROM THE PROGRAM. THE PEOPLE WHO ARE
8 EXISTING EMPLOYEES WHO ARE STUCK IN KAISER MAY SEE, FOR
9 WHATEVER THE REASONS, NOW THERE'S A QUOTE/UNQUOTE
10 JUSTIFICATION, RATIONALE TO EVEN FURTHER RAISE THE RATES
11 BECAUSE THEY'RE BEING STARVED OF NEW MEMBERS AND, YOU KNOW, IF
12 EVERYBODY'S WILLING TO GO DOWN TOGETHER, THEN WE'LL ALL GO
13 DOWN TOGETHER AND THAT MAY MEAN PAYING A PRICE, A QUANTIFIABLE
14 PRICE FOR IT. IF THAT'S-- AND I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING
15 ABOUT THE LEVERAGE AND I APPRECIATE THAT, I'D LIKE TO THINK
16 THAT WE HAVE-- SOME JAW BONING LEVERAGE, TOO BUT THE TRUTH IS,
17 IN THE REAL WORLD, AT THE END, IT'S ECONOMICS. I JUST WANT TO
18 MAKE SURE EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS WHAT THE CONSEQUENCES OF THIS
19 AND I KNOW YOU DO AND I JUST WANTED TO GET IT OUT IN THE OPEN,
20 BECAUSE AS EVERYBODY-- YOU MAY BE APPLAUDING A FURTHER
21 INCREASE IN YOUR OWN PREMIUMS, AND I'M NOT JUSTIFYING...

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, CAN I-- LET ME-- CAN I JUST MAKE
24 MAYBE A POTENTIAL COMPROMISE? SUPERVISOR BURKE, YOU HAVE A
25 PROPOSAL THAT WOULD ASK THE C.A.O. AND D.H.R. TO REQUEST



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1 DETAILED INFORMATION, IT SAYS BASICALLY ON THE FUTURE BUT WHAT
2 I'M...

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT NOW.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YOU MAY WANT TO AMEND THAT, THAT THE
7 DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE CURRENT RATE INCREASES JUSTIFY
8 THOSE RATES, PROVIDE A REVIEW OF ASSOCIATED COSTS INCURRED BY
9 LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS OR 30 DAYS OR
10 SOMETHING LIKE THAT. AND I THINK KAISER NEEDS TO KNOW AND THIS
11 IS A LITTLE BIT STRONGER THAN SOME OF THE OTHER SUGGESTIONS
12 HERE BUT IF THEY DON'T COOPERATE, I THINK THEY NEED TO KNOW
13 THERE'S A POTENTIAL THREAT, NOT ONLY OF FREEZING THIS REQUEST
14 BUT A COUNTYWIDE FREEZE. OKAY. I'M NOT PUTTING THAT IN THE
15 MOTION BUT, I MEAN, I THINK YOU HEAR THE CONVERSATION...

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I'D BE WILLING TO ACCEPT THAT AS PART OF MY
18 MOTION, THAT I WOULD BE AMENDING SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S
19 MOTION THAT WE HAVE IN WRITING BEFORE US. BUT ONE OF THE
20 THINGS THAT MY QUESTION IS, YOU DO HAVE MEMBERS NOW WHO HAVE A
21 CHOICE. AND YOU COULD ASK ALL OF YOUR PRESENT MEMBERS TO JUST
22 DIS-ENROLL OR NOT TO ENROLL IN KAISER. THAT'S SOMETHING YOU
23 CAN DO [SNAPS FINGERS] LIKE THAT. AND SO WHAT MY REAL
24 QUESTION IS WHY YOU DIDN'T DO THAT AND SAY, "OKAY, ALL OF OUR
25 MEMBERS, WE ARE GOING TO SAY, WE WILL NO LONGER ENROLL IN



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1 KAISER," RATHER THAN TALKING ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE WHO MAY-- WHO
2 YOU DON'T WANT TO GIVE THE CHOICE. AND THEN MY OTHER QUESTION
3 IS IN TERMS OF 660. IF THEY HAVE ENTERED INTO WHAT THEY
4 BELIEVE IS GOOD FOR THEIR MEMBERS, IF YOU FREEZE NEW MEMBERS
5 THAT ARE COMING INTO THE COALITION, HOW THAT WILL IMPACT THE
6 AGREEMENT THAT THEY HAVE IN TERMS OF FUTURE RATES. SO, YOU
7 KNOW, YOU HAVE A LOT-- YOU HAVE ALL THE POWER IN THE WORLD.
8 YOUR MEMBERS, TOMORROW, CAN SAY, "I'M NOT GOING TO ENROLL IN
9 KAISER" AND THAT WOULD BE-- HOW MANY MEMBERS IN THE COALITION
10 THAT YOU HAVE A CHOICE OVER, HOW MUCH WOULD THAT IMPACT IT?
11 HOW MANY MEMBERS ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

12

13 **PAUL ROLLER:** 37,000 ALTOGETHER.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** IF 37,000 MEMBERS-- ARE THEY IN KAISER? NO, IN
16 KAISER. HOW MANY IN KAISER.

17

18 **PAUL ROLLER:** NO, ABOUT-- JUST UNDER 12,000 ARE IN KAISER.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** IF THOSE 12,000, FOLLOWING YOUR LEAD, REFUSED TO
21 ENROLL IN KAISER, BELIEVE ME, THAT WOULD BE A TREMENDOUS
22 IMPACT. BUT, SEE, WHAT YOU'RE DOING, YOU'RE SAYING NEW PEOPLE
23 CAN'T DO IT BUT I'M GOING TO STAY. SO THAT IS WHAT REALLY
24 BOTHERS ME.

25



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1 **BLAINE MEEK:** COULD I ANSWER YOUR TWO QUESTIONS?

2

3 **SUP. BURKE:** YES.

4

5 **BLAINE MEEK:** I'M SURE THE MEMBERS OF THE COALITION WILL, YOU
6 KNOW, ENCOURAGE THEIR PEOPLE, JUST FOR FINANCIAL REASONS IF
7 NOTHING ELSE, TO TAKE A LOOK AT OTHER PLANS. THE PROBLEM WE
8 HAVE IS A LOT OF OUR MEMBERS ARE OLDER MEMBERS, THEY'RE NOT
9 THE NEW MEMBERS THAT ARE SO DESIROUS OF KAISER FOR KAISER
10 ENROLLMENT BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, THE NEW FAMILIES, NEW SINGLE,
11 HEALTHY PEOPLE ARE THE ONES THAT IS WHERE THE LEVERAGE IS IN
12 THIS SITUATION. IT'S NOT THE 42-YEAR-OLD WHOSE KIDS ARE IN
13 COLLEGE TYPE OF THING, YOU KNOW? AS FAR AS THE IMPACT-- AS FAR
14 AS I KNOW, 660 DOESN'T HAVE A MULTI-YEAR AGREEMENT. THEY HAVE
15 A ONE-YEAR SITUATION, AND I DON'T THINK KAISER ENTERS INTO--
16 KAISER HAS REFUSED TO ENTER INTO ANY COUNTY AGREEMENT MULTI-
17 YEAR AS FAR AS I KNOW FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. SO THE IMPACT, IF
18 YOU WILL, ON 660'S DEAL IS NO IMPACT AT ALL IN THE SENSE THAT
19 THEY HAVE MADE THEIR DEAL FOR ONE YEAR, THE '05 YEAR. WHAT
20 HAPPENED IN '06 IS WHAT HAPPENED IN '06. SO I HOPE THAT
21 ANSWERS BOTH OF YOUR QUESTIONS, SUPERVISORS.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** IT ANSWERS IN TERMS OF NEXT YEAR FOR 660 BUT IT
24 DOESN'T NECESSARILY ANSWER, AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, BECAUSE
25 ALL OF THOSE 12,000 ARE NOT 42 YEARS OLD.



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2 **BLAINE MEEK:** NO, I'M...

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU DO HAVE, IN THE COALITION, WE HAVE INCREASE OF
5 NEW PEOPLE WHO COME IN EVERY YEAR. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE
6 PERCENTAGE IS. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE NUMBER IS BUT I KNOW
7 THAT, IF YOU LOOK AT THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT ARE ADDED
8 EVERY YEAR, THAT THERE WILL BE SOME AND THIS IS SOMETHING
9 THAT'S SO WITHIN YOUR POWER THAT YOU CAN DO AND IT'S-- WHILE
10 IT MIGHT NOT BE THE BIGGEST-- I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT THE
11 COMPARISON OF THE HIT IS IN TERMS OF THE 12,000 VERSUS HOW
12 MANY PEOPLE WOULD COME IN CONSIDERING THE FREEZE-- SEMI-FREEZE
13 WE HAVE IN TERMS OF NEW MEMBERS COMING IN AND NEW HIRES. SO I
14 DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHAT NUMBERS YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT BUT I
15 HAVE TO BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE THE AUTHORITY AND THE ABILITY TO
16 MAKE AN IMPACT.

17

18 **PAUL ROLLER:** SUPERVISOR, WE'RE DOING BOTH OF THOSE THINGS.
19 WE'RE ENCOURAGING NEW HIRES NOT TO SIGN UP FOR KAISER AND WE
20 ARE ENCOURAGING PEOPLE THAT ARE IN KAISER TO SWITCH TO OTHER
21 PLANS, SO WE ARE DOING THAT. IN TERMS OF LEVERAGE, THOUGH,
22 WITH KAISER, WE HAPPEN TO BELIEVE IT HAS MUCH GREATER LEVERAGE
23 IF LABOR AND MANAGEMENT TOGETHER GO AND DEAL WITH THIS KAISER
24 ISSUE AND THAT'S...

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I THINK HAS TO HAPPEN. I
2 THINK THAT WE HAVE TO GO IN, WE HAVE TO SAY, "OKAY, IF YOU
3 WANT THIS CONTRACT, YOU'RE GOING TO GIVE US ALL THE
4 INFORMATION." AND I THINK THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE'S APPROACH IS
5 SAYING, AS FAR AS THIS CONTRACT RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE GOING TO
6 HAVE TO GIVE US THIS INFORMATION OR ELSE WE'RE NOT GOING TO GO
7 FORWARD WITH IT. I'D LIKE TO ASK ONE OTHER QUESTION. WAS IT
8 THE FIREFIGHTERS IN SAN DIEGO WHO HAD A UTILIZATION RATE IN
9 TERMS-- THEY HAD THEIR OWN PLAN AND MY RECOLLECTION IS THAT
10 THEY HAD A DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF RATE BASED ON UTILIZATION.
11 WAS THAT SAN DIEGO, OR WAS IT ORANGE COUNTY? IT WAS ONE OF
12 THEM.

13

14 **PAUL ROLLER:** UNFORTUNATELY, WE DON'T KNOW.

15

16 **BLAINE MEEK:** THAT, I WOULDN'T KNOW.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. I THINK IT WAS-- MY RECOLLECTION, IT WAS
19 DEFINITELY THE FIREFIGHTERS THAT HAD PUT IN UTILIZATION BUT IT
20 WAS THEIR OWN PLAN. IT WAS NOT-- AND THEY BUILT THAT INTO IT.

21

22 **BLAINE MEEK:** OH, OKAY. WELL, MOST-- EVERY OTHER PLAN THAT I
23 KNOW IS A CLAIM-BASED PLAN OR THEY CAN TRACK THE EXPERIENCE,
24 IN ESSENCE. SO, I MEAN, IT'S ONLY KAISER THAT I HAVE EVER SEEN
25 YOU RUN UP AGAINST THIS WALL OF LACK OF INFORMATION. I MEAN...



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, WE HAVE TO GET THE INFORMATION. THAT'S
3 BOTTOM LINE. WE HAVE TO GET IT AND WE CANNOT SIGN WITH ANYONE
4 WHO DOESN'T PROVIDE IT.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OF OUR
7 SPEAKERS? OKAY. THANK YOU.

8

9 **BLAINE MEEK:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO THE ITEM BEFORE US IS A MOTION BY
14 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AS AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE AND
15 MYSELF AS...

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** AND MINE APPLIES TO ALL OF THE PLANS, NOT JUST
18 KAISER.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, I UNDERSTAND THAT TO ALL THE PLANS
21 BUT, SPECIFICALLY, WE ARE DIRECTING A RESPONSE TO THEIR
22 CONCERNS ABOUT KAISER.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** AS-- RIGHT. WITHIN A CERTAIN NUMBER OF DAYS.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND A REPORT BACK. I MEAN, I THINK THAT
2 THEY NEED TO KNOW-- I MEAN, I KNOW THAT YOU SAID YOU'VE BEEN
3 TALKING TO THEM, THAT WE'RE SERIOUS ABOUT THIS AND WE CAN'T
4 LEAVE IT OPEN-ENDED AND I'LL GET BACK TO YOU, YOU GET BACK TO
5 ME. GIVE US A TIME LINE. KAISER NEEDS TO KNOW THAT THEY NEED
6 TO PRESENT THAT INFORMATION TO YOU SO THAT YOU CAN ANALYZE IT
7 SO THAT WE HAVE A BETTER FEEL BEFORE WE TAKE SOME DRAMATIC
8 ACTION LIKE FREEZING A PLAN. I MEAN, I THINK WE NEED MORE
9 INFORMATION BEFORE WE DO THAT. WHILE WE'RE ALL SYMPATHETIC AND
10 WANT TO DO THAT, I THINK TO A CERTAIN DEGREE AT LEAST WE WANT
11 A BETTER HANDLE ON IT, BECAUSE I THINK, IF YOU'RE GOING TO GET
12 LEVERAGE, YOU CAN'T JUST PICK AND CHOOSE, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE
13 TO DO IT COUNTYWIDE AND BEFORE YOU CAN DO THAT, THEN YOU'RE
14 GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE THE INFORMATION YOU NEED.

15

16 **SUE CLINE:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. IT'S JUST THAT IT'S
17 VERY DIFFICULT AND TIME-CONSUMING TO GET THE INFORMATION THAT
18 WE'RE TRYING TO GET AND ACTUALLY ANALYZE IT AND ONE OF THE
19 PROBLEMS...

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, IT WASN'T TIME-CONSUMING FOR THEM TO
22 DOUBLE THEIR RATE INCREASE, YOU KNOW? I MEAN, THAT WAS
23 SOMETHING THEY DID BASED ON SOMETHING AND IT WASN'T JUST "I
24 THINK I'LL DO THIS TODAY EVEN THOUGH WE TALKED TO THEM AND WE



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1 SAID WE'D DO THIS," WE DIDN'T PULL THAT OUT OF THE SKY, THAT
2 THEY HAVE SOME BASIS.

3

4 **SUE CLINE:** NO, THAT'S CORRECT AND WE'RE...

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND THEY SHOULD HAVE THAT INFORMATION.

7

8 **SUE CLINE:** AND WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET IT. WE'LL CONTINUE TO
9 DO THAT BUT WE ALSO HAVE OUR OPEN ENROLLMENT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, THEN, LET THEM KNOW THAT YOU NEED TO
12 GET IT BACK TO US WITHIN 30 DAYS OR THIS BOARD IS PREPARED TO
13 TAKE SOME SIGNIFICANT ACTION.

14

15 **SUE CLINE:** ALL RIGHT. AND... [APPLAUSE]

16

17 **SUE CLINE:** SO, IN THE AREA OF THE OPEN ENROLLMENT THAT IS
18 SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER THE 1ST, WE'RE GOING TO BE REPORTING
19 BACK TO THE BOARD IN 30 DAYS. ARE WE GOING TO DELAY THAT OR
20 CONTINUE IT AS IS RECOMMENDED BEFORE YOU?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WHAT IS THE LENGTH OF THE OPEN ENROLLMENT?

23

24 **SUE CLINE:** IT'S A MONTH. IT'S 30 DAYS.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** CAN WE PUT THE OPEN ENROLLMENT, CAN WE START IT
2 LATER? WHAT'S THE IMPACT OF DOING THAT?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MICHAEL?

5

6 **MICHAEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, OPEN ENROLLMENT
7 IS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 1. THAT'S ONLY A FEW DAYS FROM NOW.
8 TO DELAY THE OPEN ENROLLMENT WOULD CAUSE SOME CHAOS. WE HAVE
9 ALREADY MAILED OUT THE MAILERS OF WHAT THE DIFFERENT OPTIONS
10 AND CHOICES WOULD BE FOR THE EMPLOYEES. SO IF YOU HAD TO DELAY
11 IT, WE WOULD HAVE TO THEN GO BACK AND CHANGE EVERYTHING AND WE
12 ARE ALSO DEALING WITH A NEW COMPUTER SYSTEM AS WELL FOR OPEN
13 ENROLLMENT.

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** CAN YOU ADD ADDITIONAL TIME TO THE ENROLLMENT
16 PERIOD?

17

18 **MICHAEL:** THAT'S PROBABLY EASIER TO DO THAN DELAY THE OPEN
19 ENROLLMENT.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH, I MEAN, WE CAN DO IT AT THE OTHER
22 END, THOUGH, RIGHT? I MEAN, WE CAN EXTEND THE OPEN ENROLLMENT
23 15 DAYS OR...

24

25 **MICHAEL:** THAT'S EASIER TO DO FOR US.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH, THAT'S FINE.

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4 **SUP. BURKE:** HOW MANY DAYS CAN YOU EXTEND IT WITHOUT ANY
5 PROBLEM? CAN YOU DO IT 30 DAYS?

6

7 **MICHAEL:** IT DEPENDS ON WHAT YOUR EXPECTATIONS ARE IN TERMS OF
8 WHAT IT IS THAT YOU ARE EXPECTING BACK FROM THE ANALYSIS OF
9 THE INFORMATION.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** SEE, I DON'T SEE WHY IT TAKES SUCH A LONG TIME.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, LET ME-- EXCUSE ME. LET ME JUST ASK A
14 QUESTION HERE. WHAT DOES-- YOU KNOW, I'M STARTING TO THINK
15 HERE ABOUT WHAT YOU JUST SAID. WHAT DOES OPEN ENROLLMENT HAVE
16 TO DO WITH NEW HIRES?

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** NOTHING.

19

20 **SHARON HARPER, DEPUTY C.A.O.:** IT DOESN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO
21 WITH NEW HIRES BECAUSE THEY WERE ACTUALLY ENROLLED THEY COME
22 ON BOARD BUT IT DOES HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH OUR EXISTING
23 EMPLOYEES IF THE UNIONS ARE GOING TO BE TELLING THEIR
24 EMPLOYEES NOT TO SIGN UP FOR KAISER, IF THEY'RE WAITING FOR
25 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION...



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH, BUT THEY'RE GOING TO DO THAT, THEY'RE
3 GOING TO DO THAT NO MATTER WHAT WE SAY.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO NEW HIRES ARE NOT HIRED.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO WE CAN PROCEED ON THE OPEN ENROLLMENT
8 ISSUE AND JUST LET IT ROLL LIKE IT IS AND THE UNIONS WILL BE
9 DOING THEIR THING AND THEN, IF WE HAVE NOT SATISFIED THE OTHER
10 ISSUE, THEN WE CAN DEAL WITH THE ISSUE OF NEW HIRES.

11

12 **MICHAEL HENRY:** THAT WOULD BE A MUCH BETTER WAY TO GO.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** AND YOU'RE EXTENDING IT FOR HOW MANY DAYS?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NO, YOU DON'T HAVE TO EXTEND IT.

17

18 **SHARON HARPER:** NO, WE WOULDN'T. THERE WOULD BE NO EXTENSION.

19

20 **MICHAEL HENRY:** YEAH. THE IMPACT OF THE NEW HIRES WOULDN'T
21 START UNTIL JANUARY 1, '05. THAT WOULD GIVE US MORE TIME.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE UNIONS ARE GOING TO-- WELL, NOT GOING
24 TO, THEY PROBABLY ALREADY HAVE, ENCOURAGED-- HOWEVER THEY'RE
25 DEALING WITH THEIR MEMBERSHIP-- WELL, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT NEW



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1 HIRES, SO IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH OPEN ENROLLMENT, SO LET
2 OPEN ENROLLMENT JUST PROCEED AS IS. WE DON'T NEED TO EXTEND
3 IT, WE DON'T NEED TO DELAY IT. AND THEN THE ISSUE WE'RE
4 DEALING WITH COUNTYWIDE WOULD BE NEW HIRES.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, THEY MIGHT HAVE SOME MEMBERS WHO WANT TO
7 HOLD OFF TO SEE WHAT IS FOUND-- WHAT INFORMATION COMES FORWARD
8 BEFORE THEY ACTUALLY COMPLETE THEIR ENROLLMENT. YOU KNOW, THEY
9 MIGHT WANT TO... [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S WHY I THINK EXTENDING IT-- IF YOU CAN
12 EXTEND IT, EXTEND IT 30 DAYS, IF YOU CAN, BECAUSE SOME OF
13 THEIR MEMBERS... [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** ...WANT TO SEE IF, YOU KNOW, IF KAISER BLINKS AND
16 GIVES THEM A BETTER RATE, THEY'D LIKE TO STAY IN KAISER. I
17 SUSPECT THAT THEY HAVE SOME WHO WANT TO STAY.

18

19 **MICHAEL:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, I BELIEVE, IF KAISER BLINKS AND
20 THERE IS A RATE CHANGE, THAT WOULD AFFECT THE ENTIRE PLAN, AND
21 SO IT WOULD BE AFFORDED TO THE NEW EMPLOYEES. SO...

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT. SO CAN YOU EXTEND IT FOR 30 DAYS?

24



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1 **MICHAEL:** THERE WOULDN'T BE A NEED TO. IF KAISER CHANGES THEIR
2 RATE, ...

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT DAY THEY'RE GOING TO DO IT
5 SO, YOU KNOW....

6

7 **MICHAEL:** WE DON'T KNOW WHAT DAY THEY'RE GOING TO DO IT.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT. SO THAT'S WHY I'M SUGGESTING 30 DAYS UNLESS
10 THAT'S A REAL, REAL PROBLEM. CAN YOU LIVE WITH IT?

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ANSWER?

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** IF YOU CAN'T LIVE WITH 30 DAYS, WE'LL EXTEND 15
15 BUT I'D LIKE TO EXTEND IT 30.

16

17 **MICHAEL:** TWO WEEKS WOULD BE A GOOD COMPROMISE. I WOULD PREFER
18 30 DAYS AS IT IS NOW, THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, BECAUSE THAT'S THE
19 WAY IT SITS.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT THEN WE-- WE NEED TWO DAYS...

22

23 **MICHAEL:** BUT TWO MORE WEEKS, THAT WOULD MAKE IT 45 DAYS...

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, THAT WOULD GIVE US OUR ANSWERS, TOO.



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2 **SHARON HARPER:** YES.

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4 **MICHAEL HENRY:** WE CAN GO 45 DAYS FOR ENROLLMENT.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THEN WE CAN COME BACK AGAIN AND EXTEND IT
7 AGAIN IF WE DON'T GET ANYTHING. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. RIGHT NOW, IT'S 15 DAYS.

10

11 **SHARON HARPER:** IT'S 15 DAYS AND THIS IS FOR THE COALITION
12 PLANS AND NOT FOR THE 660.

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S RIGHT. IT'S ONLY THE COALITION PLAN.

15

16 **MICHAEL HENRY:** COALITION.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** EXCLUDING 660.

19

20 **SHARON HARPER:** RIGHT.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH, BECAUSE THE ANSWERS WE WANT ARE
25 COUNTYWIDE. SO, I MEAN, THAT'S...



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I MEAN, THAT'S-- THE COALITION IS GOING TO
5 DO THEIR THING NO MATTER WHAT WE DO, OKAY? THE ONLY LEVERAGE
6 WE HAVE IS EVERYBODY ELSE ON NEW HIRES.

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** AND I WANT TO BE CLEAR. I'M SAYING THAT KAISER ARE
9 THE ONES WHO WOULD HAVE TO GET THIS IN WITHIN THIS PERIOD OF
10 TIME. SOME OF THE OTHERS, YOU KNOW, WE KNOW THAT THEY HAVE AT
11 LEAST COOPERATED BUT KAISER IS THE ONE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT
12 THAT WOULD HAVE TO GET THIS INFORMATION IN. WE AREN'T SAYING--
13 EVEN THOUGH MY MOTION APPLIED TO ALL OF THEM, MY MOTION
14 APPLIES TO ALL OF THEM AS IT RELATES TO FUTURE BUT THIS YEAR,
15 AS FAR AS KAISER. CLEAR?

16

17 **SHARON HARPER:** CLEAR.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITH THAT, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE,
22 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
23 ORDERED. OKAY. PARDON ME? ALL RIGHT. PARDON ME? HOW DO WE DEAL
24 WITH THE ORDINANCE, THEN? MR. FORTNER?

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** CAN WE EXCLUDE KAISER?

2

3 **RAY FORTNER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IN LIGHT OF
4 THIS LATEST LANGUAGE, I NEED TO TAKE A QUICK LOOK AT THE
5 ORDINANCE AND REPORT BACK.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YOU CAN CONTINUE THE ORDINANCE FOR A WEEK,
8 THEN. HOW'S THAT?

9

10 **RAY FORTNER:** LET ME REPORT BACK TO YOU DURING THIS MEETING
11 THEN.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WE'LL PUT IT ON THE TABLE. OKAY. WHAT, NOW,
14 WHAT DID YOU SAY?

15

16 **RAY FORTNER:** LET ME REPORT BACK DURING THIS MEETING.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OH, DURING THIS MEETING, OKAY. PUT IT ON
19 THE TABLE, THEN. OKAY. WE HAVE A COUPLE OF SET ITEMS. I'M
20 GOING TO ASK CONNY MCCORMACK IF SHE'D COME FORWARD, PLEASE, IN
21 REGARDS TO THE ELECTION. AND THEN WE'LL DO THE PUBLIC
22 HEARINGS. IS CONNY HERE? I SAW HER EARLIER. SHE'S COMING? ALL
23 RIGHT.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, FIRST, CONNY, HOW ARE YOU
2 FEELING FROM THE WEST NILE VIRUS?

3

4 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** SLOWLY RECOVERING, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, I
5 APPRECIATE THAT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW MUCH LONGER DO YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU...

8

9 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** I DON'T KNOW. THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT HASN'T
10 MENTIONED. IT'S BEEN ABOUT EIGHT WEEKS AND PUT IT THIS WAY,
11 YOU DON'T WANT TO GET IT. IT FEELS LIKE A REAL BAD FLU ALL THE
12 TIME.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU'RE DOING. AS YOU KNOW,
15 THERE WAS A CALL A COUPLE DAYS AGO BY THE SACRAMENTO BEE
16 NEWSPAPER CALLING FOR THE RESIGNATION OF THE SECRETARY OF
17 STATE AS A RESULT OF THE FEDERAL AND STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S
18 INVESTIGATIONS FOR MISMANAGEMENT OF FUNDS. HOW DOES THAT
19 IMPACT OUR ABILITY AT THE COUNTY TO OPERATE THE ELECTIONS IN
20 FIVE WEEKS?

21

22 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I THINK THE PUBLIC IS
23 PROBABLY WONDERING ABOUT THE READINESS OF THE ELECTION AND I
24 THINK IT'S A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR US, AT THE COUNTY LEVEL, FOR
25 ALL OF US, TO REASSURE THE PUBLIC THAT THE ELECTION IS IN GOOD



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1 HANDS. I THINK SOMETIMES PEOPLE DON'T REALIZE WHAT THE
2 DIFFERENT ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNTIES ARE
3 VERSUS THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND THE COUNTIES, IN EFFECT, DO
4 THE HEAVY LIFTING OF THE ELECTION. WE DO ALL THE VOTER
5 REGISTRATION, ALL OF THE POLL WORKER TRAINING, ALL OF THE
6 FINDING OF THE POLL LOCATIONS, ALL OF THE HIRING OF THE POLL
7 WORKERS, ALL THE PRODUCTION OF THE SAMPLE BALLOTS, THE
8 OFFICIAL BALLOTS AND ALL THE TABULATION OF THE VOTING. THE
9 SECRETARY OF STATE'S RESPONSIBILITIES ARE MUCH MORE MINIMAL IN
10 THAT RESPECT. HE CERTIFIES THE LIST OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE
11 BALLOT. THAT'S ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED IN AUGUST. HE PUTS OUT A
12 STATE PAMPHLET WITH ALL THE PROPOSITIONS AND WE ALL KNOW
13 THERE'S 16 PROPOSITIONS, STATE PROPOSITIONS, A LONG BALLOT
14 THIS TIME, AND THAT'S ALREADY IN PRODUCTION AND BEING MAILED.
15 AND THEN, ON ELECTION NIGHT, HE ACCUMULATES THE VOTE TOTALS
16 THAT ALL 58 COUNTIES COUNT. WE'RE THE ONES THAT PUT THE
17 TABULATION TOGETHER. SO I WANT THE PUBLIC TO BE REASSURED THAT
18 THE ELECTION IS IN GOOD HANDS, WE'RE VERY READY. PEOPLE MAY
19 HAVE ALREADY NOTICED THAT 750,000 VOTERS ALREADY HAVE THEIR
20 SAMPLE BALLOT. IT'S FIVE WEEKS OUT TO THE ELECTION. THIS IS
21 OUR EARLIEST EVER TO BE ABLE TO GET IT IN THE MAIL. WE'RE
22 AHEAD OF SCHEDULE ON OUR PREPARATIONS. WE FEEL LIKE WE'RE VERY
23 READY AND THE PUBLIC SHOULD FEEL CONFIDENT AND WE'RE TRYING TO
24 GET THE MESSAGE OUT FOR THIS ELECTION THAT EVERY VOTER HAS
25 THREE CHOICES AND NO EXCUSES TO VOTE IN THIS ELECTION. THEY



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1 CAN GO IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY EARLY BETWEEN OCTOBER 20TH AND
2 29TH AND VOTE ON THE TOUCH SCREEN. THEY CAN ASK FOR-- OR THEY
3 COULD ASK FOR A BALLOT IN THE MAIL. OR GO TO THEIR
4 NEIGHBORHOOD POLLING PLACE ON THE BACK COVER OF THE BALLOT. SO
5 WE'RE SAYING THREE CHOICES, NO EXCUSES. IT IS A LONG BALLOT,
6 THERE'S A LOT OF PROPOSITIONS ON IT, INCLUDING THE COUNTY'S
7 PROP "A" AND WE'RE HOPING THE VOTERS WILL STUDY UP AND BE
8 PREPARED BUT RECOGNIZE THAT THERE WILL BE SOME LINES AT THE
9 POLLS BECAUSE OF THE LONGER BALLOT AND BECAUSE OF AN EXPECTED
10 HIGH TURNOUT. SO WE DO HAVE THREE CHOICES, EVERY VOTER CAN
11 MAKE THAT CHOICE. SO I THINK WE'RE VERY READY AND WE'RE
12 EXCITED ABOUT LAUNCHING OUR GOT DOTS VOTER EDUCATION CAMPAIGN
13 SO EVERYONE KNOWS HOW TO USE THE NEW INK-A-VOTE VOTING SYSTEM.
14 WE'RE NOT PUNCHING ANYMORE. PUNCHING IS OUT. NO MORE PUNCH-
15 CARDS. NOW THE SYSTEM LOOKS VERY SIMILAR BUT IT'S MARK YOUR
16 BALLOT AND USE THE PEN AND GET INK ON THE BALLOT, SO THAT'S
17 WHAT OUR NEW GOT DOTS CAMPAIGN IS ALL ABOUT. SO WE FEEL VERY
18 READY FOR THE ELECTION, THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ELECTION VICE CHAIRMAN, ASSISTANT
21 COMMISSION CHAIRMAN DEFORCE SORRIES WAS CONCERNED THAT THE
22 CONTROVERSY SURROUNDING THE MISUSE OF FEDERAL MONEY BY THE
23 SECRETARY OF STATE SHELLY WOULD PREVENT IMPORTANT EDUCATION
24 INFORMATION TO THE COUNTIES. IS OUR EDUCATIONAL PREPARATION
25 MOVING FORWARD OR HAS IT BEEN HANDICAPPED?



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2 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** WELL, WE'RE VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE SOME
3 FEDERAL MONEY TO AUGMENT OUR ELECTION THIS TIME. IT'S A FIRST.
4 WE'VE NEVER HAD IT BEFORE. IT WAS LATE IN COMING. THE
5 APPLICATION PROCESS WAS NOT ALLOWED FOR THE COUNTIES TO APPLY
6 FOR THIS MONEY UNTIL THE END OF JULY AND INTO AUGUST BUT WE
7 WERE FORTUNATE TO BE ABLE TO GET OUR APPLICATION IN AND IT
8 WILL BE FUNDING ALL OF THE GOT DOTS CAMPAIGN, THE VOTER
9 EDUCATION WILL BE ON BILLBOARDS AND BUSES AND CABLE T.V. ADS.
10 IT'S ALL BEING FUNDED BY FEDERAL DOLLARS, WHICH I THINK THAT'S
11 IMPORTANT FOR THE VOTERS TO UNDERSTAND, IT'S NOT SCARCE COUNTY
12 DOLLARS. IT'S SPECIFIC DOLLARS FOR VOTER EDUCATION PURPOSES.
13 HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF THE LATENESS OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
14 ANNOUNCING THE ABILITY FOR COUNTIES TO APPLY FOR THE GRANTS,
15 ONLY 43 OF THE 58 COUNTIES WERE ABLE TO MEET THE DEADLINE, THE
16 DEADLINE WAS SO LATE IN THE PROCESS. SO THAT REALLY DID IMPEDE
17 SOME COUNTIES FROM BEING ABLE TO PUT A PROGRAM TOGETHER, AND
18 WE HAD TO SCRAMBLE. THERE'S NO QUESTION WE HAD TO SCRAMBLE AND
19 WE HAD THE RESOURCES AND SPENT A LOT OF LATE NIGHTS PUTTING IN
20 AN APPLICATION-- IT WAS A 10-PAGE APPLICATION PROCESS. IT WAS
21 A VERY DIFFICULT IN A VERY TWO-WEEK TIME FRAME. SO SOME
22 COUNTIES DID LOSE OUT BECAUSE OF THE TIME FRAME,
23 UNFORTUNATELY.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT APPEARS THAT THE SEVEN LARGEST STATES, THE
2 AVERAGE STATE PLANS CALLS FOR 75% OF THE HAVA FUNDS TO GO
3 DIRECTLY TO COUNTIES, STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, ONLY 7.5% REMAINS
4 WITH THE STATE. THE REMAINING 92.5% GOES TO THE INDIVIDUAL
5 COUNTIES. HOWEVER, CALIFORNIA'S LEVEL, IT'S 63.2% THAT THE
6 STATE RETAINS AND COUNTIES ARE ONLY PROVIDED 36.8%. HOW DOES
7 THAT IMPACT YOUR ABILITY TO DO A GOOD JOB AND ARE WE LIABLE
8 FOR FUTURE LITIGATION BECAUSE WE VIOLATED THE MANDATE OF
9 CONGRESS?

10

11 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** I THINK THAT'S A VERY GOOD POINT, SUPERVISOR.
12 I'LL REMIND ALL OF YOU THAT, OVER A YEAR AGO, IN JULY OF 2003,
13 ALL FIVE OF YOU SIGNED A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER EXPRESSING
14 THOSE CONCERNS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE, STRONGLY ADVISING
15 THAT MORE OF THE HAVA MONEY BE ALLOCATED TO THE COUNTIES AND
16 COMPARING THE FACT THAT MOST STATES ARE ALLOCATING 80 TO 90%
17 OF THIS MONEY FOR THE REQUIRED UPGRADES OF VOTING EQUIPMENT
18 AND THAT OUR SECRETARY OF STATE DID NOT FOLLOW THAT TYPE OF A
19 PROGRAM. THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT YOU ARE ON RECORD AND I WAS
20 ON RECORD AND SO WERE MANY OTHER REGISTRARS AND BOARDS OF
21 SUPERVISORS ON RECORD SAYING THAT WE DIDN'T THINK MORE MONEY
22 NEEDS TO COME TO THE COUNTIES BECAUSE THERE ARE LEGAL
23 REQUIREMENTS THAT HAVE TO BE MET BY NOW, THE JUNE OF '06
24 PRIMARY. WE LEARNED YESTERDAY THE GOVERNOR DID MOVE THE
25 PRIMARY, HE SIGNED THE BILL TO MOVE THE PRIMARY BACK TO JUNE



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1 OF '06 BUT, BY THAT DATE, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE SOME
2 EQUIPMENT THAT IS AN UPGRADE OF WHAT WE HAVE NOW AND WE ARE
3 CONCERNED THAT THERE MAY BE INSUFFICIENT FUNDS, AND IT REALLY
4 HAS DESTABILIZED THE PROCESS, NOT KNOWING THAT. SO...

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW HAS IT IMPACTED OUR MOVE TOWARD
7 ELECTRONIC VOTING?

8

9 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** IT'S VERY NEGATIVELY IMPACTED THAT. I WANTED
10 TO FIRST ASSURE EVERYONE THAT THE NOVEMBER ELECTION IS NOT
11 IMPACTED. WE'RE USING THE SAME INK-A-VOTE SYSTEM WE USED IN
12 MARCH. IT WORKED VERY WELL. WE'VE DONE A LITTLE BIT OF
13 TWEAKING WITH THE INK AND THE PEN. IT DOESN'T-- WE HAD LITTLE
14 SMEARING PROBLEMS. WE'VE SOLVED THAT. BUT, BY 2006, WE HAVE TO
15 HAVE OTHER-- WE HAVE TO HAVE EQUIPMENT THAT WILL MEET OTHER
16 REQUIREMENTS OF HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT AND, RIGHT NOW, WE DON'T
17 HAVE THOSE. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT-- AND THE C.A.O. AND MYSELF
18 SENT A LETTER TO THE BOARD IN FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR EXPRESSING
19 OUR CONCERN BECAUSE OF THE INSTABILITY OF THE
20 CERTIFICATION/DECERTIFICATION AND PARTIAL RECERTIFICATION OF
21 TOUCH SCREEN VOTING IN CALIFORNIA THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE
22 HAS DONE OVER THE LAST SIX MONTHS HAS PUT US IN A BIT OF A
23 QUANDARY AND WHETHER OR NOT WE WILL BE LEGALLY COMPLIANT BY
24 THE JUNE OF '06 ELECTION. I WANTED THE WAIT 'TIL AFTER THIS
25 NOVEMBER ELECTION, FOR THE DUST TO SETTLE A LITTLE BIT AND



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1 THEN COME BACK IN WITH SOME RECOMMENDATIONS OF WHAT DIRECTION
2 WE MIGHT GO AT THAT POINT. BUT WE ARE RUNNING OUT OF TIME
3 BECAUSE THERE'S A HUGE PROCUREMENT PROCESS AHEAD OF US AND
4 THERE MAY BE INSUFFICIENT TIME AND INSUFFICIENT MONEY. SO ALL
5 OF THAT IS OF A CONCERN, FRANKLY, VERY MUCH SO.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN THE NEIGHBORING COUNTY, SECRETARY OF STATE
8 DID A VOTER ADVERTISEMENT. HOW DOES THAT IMPACT OUR COUNTY'S
9 ABILITY AND DOES IT NOT TAKE-- OR DILUTE OUR ABILITY TO
10 EFFECTIVELY REACH THE VOTERS IN OUR INDIVIDUAL RESPECTIVE
11 COUNTIES?

12

13 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** I THINK YOU'RE ALLUDING TO THEIR PERMANENT
14 ABSENTEE VOTER MAILING AND SOME COUNTIES DID DECIDE TO DO A
15 MAILING SUCH AS THAT. WE WERE GLAD THAT THE SECRETARY OF STATE
16 DID NOT DO A MAILING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY BECAUSE THE MAILING
17 WAS SET UP TO GO TO A LOT OF VOTERS WHO ARE ALREADY PERMANENT
18 ABSENTEE VOTERS AND THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN A DUPLICATIVE EFFORT
19 AND CONFUSED OUR VOTERS. WE HAVE 206,000 PERMANENT ABSENTEE
20 VOTERS. SO WE DID NOT DO A MASS MAILING BUT INSTEAD OF THAT,
21 OF COURSE, VOTERS DO HAVE THE THREE CHOICES: THEY CAN APPLY
22 AND BECOME A PERMANENT BUT WE DIDN'T WANT TO DO A MAILING THAT
23 WOULD POTENTIALLY CONFUSE SIX OR 700,000 VOTERS, SO WE ASKED
24 THAT THE SECRETARY NOT DO THAT MAILING IN OUR COUNTY AND WE
25 WERE PLEASED THAT IT WAS NOT MAILED.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS THERE ANY SPECIFIC ACTIONS THAT THE BOARD
3 CAN TAKE OR WE'VE ALREADY TAKEN THE ACTIONS WHO ARE-- LETTER
4 THAT EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS SIGNED TO GET THE ADDITIONAL-- OR
5 THE FEDERAL FUNDS THAT ARE REQUIRED FOR YOUR EDUCATIONAL
6 OUTREACH PROGRAMS?

7

8 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** I THINK AT THIS POINT, NOW THAT THE
9 LEGISLATIVE ANALYST'S OFFICE IN SACRAMENTO HAS, IN EFFECT--
10 AND THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE HAS, IN EFFECT, FROZEN THE REST OF
11 THE HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT FUNDS UNTIL THERE IS A COMPLETE
12 AUDIT OF THE SYSTEM, I THINK ALL OF US CAN WELCOME AN AUDIT
13 BECAUSE WE ALL WANT TO KNOW HOW THE MONEY HAS BEEN SPENT TO
14 DATE AND WE CERTAINLY WILL, I THINK, AT THAT POINT HAVE IMPACT
15 INTO SAYING THAT WE THINK THAT SOME OF THE PRIORITIES SHOULD
16 BE CHANGED. SO I'M PERSONALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THE HEARINGS
17 I UNDERSTAND WILL BE HAPPENING IN JANUARY WITH THE AUDIT AND I
18 THINK, AT THAT TIME, IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL IF THE BOARD
19 MEMBERS, AS WELL AS MYSELF, WEIGHED IN AGAIN ABOUT OUR BELIEF
20 THAT COUNTIES DO NEED TO GET MORE OF THIS HELP AMERICA VOTE
21 ACT FUNDS IN ORDER TO MEET THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS. SO, YES, I
22 WOULD LIKE TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD AND PARTICIPATE AS PART
23 OF THAT AUDIT, THAT WE COULD AGAIN REINTRODUCE OUR CONCERNS.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND YOU CAN VERIFY THAT OUR ELECTION IN FIVE
2 WEEKS FROM TODAY WILL-- YOU DON'T HAVE ANY MAJOR PROBLEMS?
3 THAT IT WILL RUN ACCORDING TO SCALE?

4

5 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** WE'RE FEELING VERY CONFIDENT RIGHT NOW. ONE
6 THING ABOUT A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, OF COURSE, IS WE GET A
7 LOT OF VOTER TURNOUT, WHICH IS WONDERFUL. WE ALSO HAVE PEOPLE,
8 EVEN THOUGH WE STILL NEED MORE POLL WORKERS, OF COURSE, BUT
9 PEOPLE LIKE TO WORK AT A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. IT'S MORE
10 EXCITING AND INTERESTING AND WITH MORE TURNOUT. SO RIGHT NOW,
11 OUR RECRUITMENT EFFORTS ARE GOING VERY WELL FOR POLL WORKERS.
12 OUR SAMPLE BALLOTS ARE AHEAD OF TIME IN THE MAIL AND WE'RE
13 READY WITH OUR ABSENTEES, SO WE'RE IN GOOD SHAPE RIGHT NOW. OF
14 COURSE, WE HAVE TO GO EVERY DAY AND REEVALUATE BUT, FOR NOW,
15 WE'RE FEELING VERY COMFORTABLE ABOUT THE ELECTION IN FIVE
16 WEEKS.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THANK YOU FOR COMING BACK EVEN THOUGH
19 YOU'RE FEELING UNDER THE WEATHER AND TAKING CHARGE AND TO
20 ENSURE THAT OUR COUNTY DOES WELL IN FIVE WEEKS FROM TODAY. SO
21 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT.

22

23 **CONNY MCCORMACK:** I APPRECIATE THAT. OTHER QUESTIONS?

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WE'RE GOING TO
2 GO TO THE PUBLIC HEARINGS NOW. EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY. SORRY.
3 YES? YES, PETER, I JUST-- IT WAS A QUICK OVERSIGHT HERE. PETER
4 BAXTER HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MR. CHAIRMAN, YOU MAY WISH TO TAKE UP THE
7 ORDINANCE ON ITEM 32 AFTER MR. BAXTER SPEAKS. IT'S THE THE
8 ORDINANCE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES, SIR, MR. BAXTER, PLEASE PROCEED.

11

12 **PETER BAXTER:** MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF YOUR HONORABLE BOARD, MR.
13 JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS PETER BAXTER AND I
14 LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT THE LOS
15 ANGELES TIMES OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2004, PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE BY
16 PROFESSOR RICHARD L. HASSEN OF LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL IN WHICH
17 PROFESSOR HASSEN ASSERTS, IN PART, AS FOLLOWS. I AM QUOTING
18 PROFESSOR HASSEN. "THE MOST INTERESTING AND TRICKIEST LEGAL
19 QUESTION HAS TO DO WITH ARTICLE II OF THE CONSTITUTION, WHICH
20 ALLOWS EACH STATE LEGISLATURE TO SET THE RULES UNDER WHICH
21 ELECTORS ARE CHOSEN AND ALLOCATED." THAT'S THE END OF THE
22 QUOTATION. IT IS MY RESPECTFUL POSITION THAT THIS STATEMENT OF
23 THE LAW OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES BY PROFESSOR
24 HASSEN IS IN ERROR, IN AS MUCH AS ARTICLE II OF THE
25 CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES ASSERTS, IN PART, THUS I'M



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1 QUOTING, "EACH STATE SHALL APPOINT IN SUCH MANNER AS THE
2 LEGISLATURE THEREOF MAY ERECT A NUMBER OF ELECTORS." THAT'S
3 THE END OF THE QUOTATION THAT I'M MAKING. THERE IS NOTHING SET
4 FORTH ON RULES. THE APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS IS
5 WHOLLY ARBITRARY ON THE PART OF EACH STATE. NO ONE HAS A RIGHT
6 TO COME-- TO BECOME A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR. THE APPOINTMENT OF
7 A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR IS WHOLLY IN THE GIFT OF EACH OF THE
8 SEVERAL STATES. ONCE APPOINTED, HOWEVER, THAT PRESIDENTIAL
9 ELECTOR IS A MEMBER OF A SOVEREIGN ENTITY WHICH OWES NO DUTY
10 OF OBEDIENCE TO ANY STATE. ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY
11 SUBMITTED. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THIS SOUNDS A LITTLE
12 TECHNICAL BUT I WANTED TO PUT IT ON THE RECORD AND I'M
13 SUGGESTING TO YOU, SIR, THAT THE WAY THE PRETEND ELECTIONS OR
14 PRETEND ELECTION, IF THE FOUNDERING FATHERS HAD WANTED AN
15 ELECTION, THEY WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE WRITTEN AN ELECTION BUT
16 THEY DIDN'T. GEORGE WASHINGTON WAS A GENTLEMAN WITH NO FORMAL
17 SCHOOLING WHATSOEVER AND HE PUT US ALL ON THIS COURSE FOR A
18 PRESIDENTIAL FORM OF GOVERNMENT BUT THE CONSTITUTION IS
19 WRITTEN, UNDER ENGLISH-- IS WRITTEN IN THE MANNER OF
20 PARLIAMENTARY FORM OF GOVERNMENT AND I'M GLAD TO HAVE HAD THE
21 OPPORTUNITY TO BRING THIS TO YOUR ATTENTION.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MR. BAXTER. OKAY.
24 WE'RE GOING TO NOW PROCEED WITH THE PUBLIC HEARINGS. DO I HAVE
25 BEFORE ME A REVISED ORDINANCE FOR NUMBER 32?



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2 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THE ORDINANCE, AS PRESENTED TO
3 YOU ORIGINALLY, DOES NOT IMPACT THE ACTIONS YOU'VE TAKEN
4 OTHERWISE, AND YOU CAN PROCEED WITH IT TODAY.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO THEN, ON THAT ORDINANCE, MOVED BY
7 SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY THE CHAIR. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
8 ORDERED. THANK YOU. OKAY. WE'LL ASK THE CLERK TO SWEAR
9 EVERYONE IN THAT'S GOING TO BE TESTIFYING UNDER THE PUBLIC
10 HEARING ITEMS.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** WOULD ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY,
13 PLEASE STAND, RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN. [
14 ADMINISTERING OATH]

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU. PLEASE BE SEATED.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM NUMBER 1, WE NEED A STAFF
19 STATEMENT AND WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO COUNT SOME BALLOTS LATER
20 ON, IS THAT CORRECT?

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT IS CORRECT, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND MAY I
23 READ THIS INTO THE RECORD?

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OH, CERTAINLY.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** WE HAVE THE HEARING ON EXPANSION OF
3 DRAINAGE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT AREA NUMBER 5 TO INCLUDE TRACT
4 NUMBER 46543 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVYING OF A BASE ANNUAL
5 ASSESSMENT RATE OF \$184.24 WITH AN ACTUAL ASSESSMENT OF \$124
6 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005/2006 FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF
7 THE RETENTION BASIN AND RELATED DRAINAGE FACILITIES LOCATED AT
8 AVENUE M-4 AND SHAIN LANE, QUARTZ HILL AND WE HAVE NO WRITTEN
9 PROTESTS.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. STAFF REPORT, PLEASE. WAIT A MINUTE.
12 WE NEED TO TURN THAT MIKE ON OVER HERE, PLEASE. ALL RIGHT.
13 HERE WE GO. ANYBODY UP THERE? LET'S CALL UPSTAIRS.

14

15 **ROBIN PHILLIPS:** MY NAME IS ROBIN PHILLIPS. I AM A SENIOR CIVIL
16 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH
17 THESE PROCEEDINGS TO ANNEX TERRITORY INTO DRAINAGE BENEFIT
18 ASSESSMENT AREA NUMBER 5 AND TO IMPOSE ASSESSMENTS FOR
19 TENTATIVE TRACT NUMBER 46543 IN THE QUARTZ HILLS AREA. THE
20 MAXIMUM ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR EACH OF THE 11 INVOLVED FUTURE
21 LOTS WILL BE \$184.24. IN MY OPINION, THE TERRITORY WITHIN THE
22 PROPOSED ANNEXATION AREA WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE SERVICES TO
23 BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN
24 PROPORTION TO THE BENEFITS TO BE RECEIVED.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? LOOKING AT
2 COUNTY COUNSEL, IT'S OKAY TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND TABLE THE MATTER FOR
5 TABULATION OF THE BALLOTS.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'RE GOING TO CLOSE THE HEARING AND
8 DIRECT THE TABULATION OF BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL
9 LATER. OKAY? I READ YOUR PART, VIOLET, SO YOU'RE OKAY. ALL
10 RIGHT. OKAY. ITEM NUMBER 2. ITEM NUMBER 2 IS BEFORE US.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** WE HAVE A HEARING TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE
13 PROGRAM ALLOCATIONS FOR 2004, LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK
14 GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,060,110. WE HAVE NO
15 WRITTEN PROTESTS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. IS THERE ANYONE SIGNED UP UNDER THIS
18 PARTICULAR ITEM? IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO OPEN THE HEARING
19 AND THEN CLOSE THE HEARING. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. THE CHAIR
20 WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
21 SO ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER 3.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** WE HAVE HEARING ON THE 2004 WEED
24 ABATEMENT REFEREE'S SECOND REPORT TO ABATE NOXIOUS OR
25 DANGEROUS WEEDS, BRUSH, RUBBISH, ET CETERA, ON UNIMPROVED



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1 PARCELS IN THE COUNTY. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MR.
2 CHAIRMAN.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. NO WRITTEN PROTESTS. WE OPEN THE
5 HEARING. ANYONE SIGNED UP? OKAY. IF NOT, THE CHAIR WOULD
6 DIRECT TO CLOSE THE HEARING. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
7 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
8 BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER 4, STAFF
9 STATEMENT PLEASE.

10

11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEARING TO VACATE A PORTION OF THE ALLEY
12 NORTH OF WHITTIER BOULEVARD BETWEEN AMALIA AVENUE AND HILL
13 VIEW AVENUE UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS ANGELES AREA. WE HAVE NO
14 WRITTEN PROTESTS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SIR?

17

18 **CAROLITO CRISTOBEL :** MY NAME IS CAROLITO LEITER TO CRISTOBEL
19 AND I'M INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
20 WORKS. I HAVE INVESTIGATED THE PROPOSED VACATION OF THE COUNTY
21 EASEMENT INTEREST IN THAT PORTION OF THE ALLEY NORTH OF
22 WHITTIER BOULEVARD IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY OF
23 LOS ANGELES. IN MY OPINION, THE INVOLVED PORTION OF THE ALLEY
24 IS NOT NECESSARY FOR PRESENT OR PROSPECTIVE PUBLIC USE. THE
25 PROPOSED VACATION AREA CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 3,000 SQUARE



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1 FEET. EXISTING EASEMENT FOR UTILITIES WILL BE RESERVED TO
2 PACIFIC BELL, CALIFORNIA WEATHER SERVICES AND SOUTHERN
3 CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY. AN EASEMENT FOR SANITARY SEWER WILL
4 ALSO BE RESERVED THROUGH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE ARE
5 AWARE OF NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED VACATION.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. WE HAVE
8 AN INDIVIDUAL SIGNED UP TO SPEAK BUT THEY INDICATED IF IT WAS
9 GOING TO BE APPROVED, THEY WOULD PASS ON SPEAKING. ARE THERE
10 ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF? COUNTY COUNSEL? IF NOT, WE WILL OPEN
11 THE HEARING. CLOSE THE HEARING.

12

13 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY TESTIMONY, CLOSE
14 THE HEARING AND YOU MAY TAKE ACTION.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE
17 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER
18 5.

19

20 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ITEM NUMBER 5 IS CONTINUED TO OCTOBER
21 26TH, 2004.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME. ITEM NUMBER 6, THEN.

24



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEARING TO VACATE, WITH RESERVATIONS, A
2 PORTION OF CANON DRIVE WEST OF BANDINI STREET AND NORTH OF 6TH
3 STREET UNINCORPORATED SAN PEDRO AREA. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN
4 PROTESTS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. STAFF STATEMENT, PLEASE.

7

8 **CAROLITO CRISTOBAL:** MY NAME IS CAROLITO CRISTOBAL, AND I'M A
9 INDUSTRIAL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'VE
10 INVESTIGATED THE PROPOSED VACATION OF THE COUNTY EASEMENT
11 INTEREST IN A PORTION OF CANON DRIVE WEST OF BANDINI STREET
12 AND NORTH OF 6TH STREET IN THE SAN PEDRO AREA. VACATION WAS
13 PROPOSED BY THE UNDERLYING PROPERTY OWNER. PROPOSED VACATION
14 AREA CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 16,102 SQUARE FEET. IN MY OPINION,
15 THE INVOLVED EASEMENT AREA PROPOSED TO BE VACATED IS NOT
16 NECESSARY FOR PRESENT OR PROSPECTIVE PUBLIC USE. VACATION WILL
17 NOT CUT OFF ACCESS TO ANY PROPERTIES OR NEGATIVELY IMPACT
18 OTHER PROPERTIES. EXISTING EASEMENT FOR DRAINAGE AND SLOPE
19 PURPOSES WILL BE RESERVED. ALTHOUGH AN ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNER
20 INITIALLY EXPRESSED A POSITION TO THE REQUEST, WE MET WITH HIM
21 AND ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY OTHER FURTHER PROTESTS.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. IT WOULD
24 BE APPROPRIATE TO OPEN THE HEARING AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT.
25 IS THERE ANYONE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK? IF NOT, THEN WE'LL CLOSE



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1 THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED
2 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM
3 NUMBER 8.

4

5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE HAVE, ON ITEM NUMBER 7,
6 HEARING TO VACATE, WITH RESERVATIONS, OAKVIEW ESTATES DRIVE
7 NORTHWEST OF STEVENSON RANCH PARKWAY UNINCORPORATED STEVENSON
8 RANCH AREA AND WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. STAFF STATEMENT.

11

12 **RAFAEL MACHUKA:** MY NAME IS RAFAEL MACHUKA, I AM A SENIOR
13 SURVEY MAPPING TECHNICIAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.
14 I HAVE INVESTIGATED THE PROPOSED VACATION OF THE COUNTY
15 EASEMENT INTEREST IN OAKVIEW ESTATES DRIVE NORTHWEST OF
16 STEVENSON RANCH PARKWAY. THE VACATION WAS PROPOSED BY THE
17 UNDERLYING PROPERTY OWNER. THE PROPOSED VACATION AREA CONTAINS
18 APPROXIMATELY 59,866 SQUARE FEET. IN MY OPINION, THE INVOLVED
19 EASEMENT AREA PROPOSED TO BE VACATED IS NOT NECESSARY FOR
20 PRESENT PUBLIC USE. THE VACATION WILL NOT CUT OFF ACCESS TO
21 ANY PROPERTIES OR NEGATIVELY IMPACT OTHER PROPERTIES AS THE
22 STREET WILL REMAIN AS A PRIVATE AND FUTURE STREET. EXISTING
23 EASEMENTS FOR UTILITIES WILL BE RESERVED TO SBC, PACIFIC BELL,
24 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY



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1 AND FOR FUTURE STREET PURPOSES IN FAVOR OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
2 ANGELES. WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY PROTESTS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF? IF
5 NOT, WE'LL OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING. IS THERE ANYONE SIGNED UP
6 TO SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 7? THERE BEING NO ONE SIGNED UP, WE'LL
7 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
8 SUPERVISOR BURKE. CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
9 ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER 8.

10

11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEARING TO VACATE WITH RESERVATIONS A
12 PORTION OF TWIN OAKS PLACE SOUTHWEST OF THE OLD ROAD,
13 UNINCORPORATED STEVENSON RANCH AREA. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN
14 PROTESTS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

17

18 **RAFAEL MACHUKA:** MY NAME IS RAFAEL MACHUKA. I'M A SENIOR SURVEY
19 MAPPING TECHNICIAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I HAVE
20 INVESTIGATED THE PROPOSED VACATION OF THE COUNTY'S EASEMENT
21 INTEREST IN TWIN OAKS PLACE SOUTHWEST OF THE OLD ROAD IN
22 STEVENSON RANCH. THE VACATION WAS PROPOSED BY THE UNDERLYING
23 PROPERTY OWNER. THE PROPOSED VACATION AREA CONTAINS
24 APPROXIMATELY 2,828 SQUARE FEET. IN MY OPINION, THE INVOLVED
25 EASEMENT AREA PROPOSED TO BE VACATED IS NOT NECESSARY FOR



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1 PRESENT PUBLIC USE. THE VACATION WILL NOT CUT OFF ACCESS TO
2 ANY PROPERTIES OR NEGATIVELY IMPACT OTHER PROPERTIES AS THE
3 STREET WILL REMAIN A PRIVATE AND FUTURE STREET. THE VACATION
4 WILL BE SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT BY PACIFIC BELL TELEPHONE
5 COMPANY, RESERVATIONS IN FAVOR OF THE COUNTY FOR FUTURE STREET
6 PURPOSES AND SANITARY SEWER PURPOSES AND RESERVATIONS IN FAVOR
7 OF THE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT FOR COVER STORM DRAIN,
8 APPURTENANT STRUCTURES AND INGRESS AND EGRESS. WE ARE NOT
9 AWARE OF ANY PROTESTS.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF? IF
12 NOT, THE ITEM'S BEFORE US. WE'LL OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING.
13 WE'LL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. IS THERE ANYONE-- EXCUSE ME.
14 YOU SAID THERE WAS NO ONE SIGNED UP, RIGHT? IS THAT CORRECT?

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** NO ONE'S SIGNED UP. RIGHT.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THEN THE ITEM'S BEFORE US. MOVED BY
19 SUPERVISOR BURKE, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
20 ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** NUMBER 9, HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT
23 TO TITLE 16, HIGHWAYS TO ESTABLISH THE LIVE OAK AVENUE
24 UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT. WE HAVE NO WRITTEN PROTESTS, MR.
25 CHAIRMAN.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. IF YOU'LL WANT TO PROCEED WITH THE
3 STAFF STATEMENT, PLEASE.

4

5 **ANGELA GEORGE:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ANGELA GEORGE AND I'M A CIVIL
6 ENGINEER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR
7 WITH THE AREA PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED AS THE LIVE OAK AVENUE
8 UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT. WE HAVE CONSULTED WITH THE
9 UTILITY COMPANIES, WHICH WOULD BE AFFECTED BY THE FORMATION OF
10 THE PROPOSED UNDERGROUNDING DISTRICT. THIS AREA WAS SELECTED
11 FOR UNDERGROUNDING BECAUSE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, IN
12 CONSULTATION WITH THE AFFECTED UTILITY COMPANIES, HAS
13 DETERMINED THAT UNDERGROUNDING OF THE EXISTING AND FUTURE
14 OVERHEAD ELECTRIC AND COMMUNICATION FACILITIES WILL ELIMINATE
15 THEIR PRESENT CONCENTRATION AND AVOID ANY FUTURE CONCENTRATION
16 OF OVERHEAD FACILITIES. WE HAVE ALSO DETERMINED THAT THE
17 IMPACTED PORTION OF LIVE OAK AVENUE IS EXTENSIVELY USED BY THE
18 GENERAL PUBLIC AND CARRIES A HEAVY VOLUME OF PEDESTRIAN AND
19 VEHICULAR TRAFFIC AND THAT IT IS IN THE GENERAL PUBLIC
20 INTEREST TO ESTABLISH THE DISTRICT. WE HAVE RECEIVED NO
21 PROTESTS REGARDING THE FORMATION OF THE DISTRICT.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THERE BEING NO PROTESTS, IT WOULD BE
24 APPROPRIATE TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING. ANYONE SIGNED UP TO
25 SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 9? OKAY. THERE BEING NO ONE SIGNED UP,



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1 WE'LL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
3 ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER 10.

4

5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** DE NOVO HEARING ON CONDITIONAL USE
6 PERMIT, CASE NUMBER 02-311-(5) AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE
7 DECLARATION, TO ALLOW THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF AN EXISTING
8 GOLF COURSE WITH RECREATIONAL AMENITIES AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF
9 A RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARK, BOCA CANYON ZONE DISTRICT
10 PETITIONED BY LAKE ELIZABETH PROPERTIES, LLC. AND, MR.
11 CHAIRMAN, WE HAVE RECEIVED WRITTEN PROTESTS ON THIS ITEM.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. STAFF REPORT, PLEASE.

14

15 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, GOOD
16 MORNING. I'M RUSSELL FRICANO OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
17 PLANNING. AND, TO MY LEFT IS SAM DAY ALSO OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
18 REGIONAL PLANNING WHO IS THE CASE PLANNER FOR THIS CASE. THIS
19 IS A HEARING FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NUMBER 02-311-(5). THE
20 APPLICANT IS REQUESTING THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF AN EXISTING
21 GOLF COURSE WITH RECREATIONAL AMENITIES AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF
22 A RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARK THAT WOULD INCLUDE 498
23 RECREATIONAL VEHICLE SPACES, A GENERAL STORE, RECREATIONAL
24 VEHICLE STORAGE, A PICNIC AREA, AN ARTIFICIAL POND, REST ROOM
25 SHOWER FACILITIES, RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND WATER WELLS TO



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1 SERVE THE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARK. PROPOSAL WOULD ALSO
2 AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF A FULL LINE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR
3 THE EXISTING RESTAURANT/CAFE AND THE PROPOSED GENERAL STORE.
4 THE SUBJECT SITE IS LOCATED AT 42505 RANCH CLUB ROAD,
5 SOUTHERLY OF ELIZABETH LAKE ROAD AT THE TERMINUS OF RANCH CLUB
6 ROAD AND KIP TREE DRIVE IN THE BOCA CANYON ZONE DISTRICT. THIS
7 CASE WAS HEARD BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON FEBRUARY
8 4TH, 2004. THE CASE WAS APPROVED ON MAY 26, 2004. FOLLOWING
9 THE APPROVAL OF THE CASE, THE CASE WAS APPEALED TO THE BOARD.
10 THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY THE APPELLANT INCLUDE IMPACTS TO
11 EXISTING ROADWAYS, CULTURAL RESOURCES, WATER AND AIR QUALITY
12 IMPACTS, BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES, NOISE, AND COMPATIBILITY WITH
13 ADJACENT DEVELOPMENT. THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF? WE
16 HAVE SEVERAL PEOPLE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK. IF NOT, THEN WE WILL
17 OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING. I WOULD ASK THAT KORYNN KOHLER COME
18 FORWARD, PLEASE, PAULETTE CANAVARAS, WARREN B. MILLER AND
19 PEGGY MOORE. THE FOUR OF YOU TO COME FORWARD. OKAY. WHEN YOU
20 SPEAK, PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD BEFORE YOUR
21 TESTIMONY. OKAY. WHO WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST?

22

23 **PAULETTE CANAVARAS:** MY NAME IS PAULETTE CANAVARAS. I'M ONE OF
24 A GROUP OF CONTACT PEOPLE FOR A GROUP OF A COALITION THAT



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1 CALLS ITSELF THE PEOPLE TO KEEP THE LAKES COMMUNITIES AND
2 SURROUNDING AREAS RURAL.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

5

6 **PAULETTE CANAVARAS:** AT THIS TIME, WE ARE HERE TO OPPOSE THE
7 CONTINUATION OF C.U.P. 02-311-(5). YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU
8 SOME PACKAGES. I HAVE TWO OTHER PEOPLE WHO ARE SUPPOSED TO BE
9 WITH ME TODAY. THEY'RE DOWN SICK WITH THE FLU, SO COULD I
10 POSSIBLY HAVE A FEW MORE MINUTES INSTEAD OF THE ALLOTTED
11 THREE? OKAY. I MOVED TO ELIZABETH LAKE TO GET AWAY FROM THE
12 VERY PROBLEMS, A PROJECT OF THIS ENORMITY AND MAGNITUDE...

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME, PAULETTE. COULD YOU JUST PULL
15 THE MICROPHONE TOWARDS YOU THERE A LITTLE BIT SO YOU CAN
16 DIRECTLY INTO IT SO WE CAN HEAR YOU? THANK YOU. VERY GOOD.

17

18 **PAULETTE CANAVARAS:** I'LL REPEAT. THANK YOU. I MOVED TO
19 ELIZABETH LAKE IN 1987 TO GET AWAY FROM THE VERY PROBLEMS A
20 PROJECT OF THIS ENORMITY AND MAGNITUDE WILL BRING TO OUR
21 ISOLATED RURAL MOUNTAIN EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY. THIS PROJECT,
22 THIS TRAILER PARK, THIS CABIN PARK THAT IS PROPOSED IS NON-
23 SUSTAINABLE AND UNREASONABLE IN A GEOGRAPHICAL AREA SUCH AS
24 ELIZABETH LAKE. IT POSES A THREAT TO ALL OF US, TO THE
25 ENVIRONMENT, TO THE HABITAT AND OUR LIMITED PRECIOUS NATURAL



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1 RESOURCES. THE IMPACT WILL BE TREMENDOUS. THIS PROJECT IS
2 NOTHING LESS THAN AVARICIOUSNESS TO THE EXTREME. WE FEEL THAT
3 THE PEOPLE BEHIND THIS PROJECT DO NOT CARE, THEY DO NOT CARE
4 ABOUT THE FEELINGS OF THE COMMUNITY. ENVIRONMENTAL HABITAT,
5 LOSS AND IMPACT DOES NOT OCCUR OVERNIGHT BUT IT WILL HAPPEN,
6 IT DOES HAPPEN. THOSE OF US WHO CHOOSE TO LIVE IN A RURAL
7 COMMUNITY PREFER THE SMELL OF HORSE MANURE TO EXHAUST FUMES,
8 THE SONG OF THE HAWK AND THE COYOTE AND THE OWL TO BOOM BOXES,
9 ENGINES, GENERATORS, LOUD MUSIC. WE HAVE MORE STARS OUT AT
10 NIGHT THAN BEVERLY HILLS, HOLLYWOOD, AND CENTURY CITY PUT
11 TOGETHER. PLEASE SAVE OUR WAY OF RURAL LIVING. PLEASE PRESERVE
12 OUR TOWN, OUR HABITAT, OUR ENVIRONMENT FOR US AND OUR
13 CHILDREN. "NO" ON THE RECREATIONAL TRAILER PARK. AND I ALSO
14 WANTED TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS ON THE LETTER THAT I SUBMITTED.
15 THERE'S SOME EXTRA ENTRIES AT THE BACK OF YOUR PACKAGE. YOU'LL
16 SEE A REPORT FROM LOS ANGELES TIMES MAGAZINE ON GROUNDWATER
17 PUMPING. ALSO, WE HAVE A RECENT CONCERN OF THE ELEMENT OF
18 STRANGER DANGER, CHILD SAFETY. STRANGER DANGER WILL BE
19 ELEVATED IN THE COMMUNITY AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES WHEN
20 THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WILL BE COMING AND GOING. THEY ARE NOT
21 PERMANENT, STABLE MEMBERS OF OUR TOWNS. OUR CHILDREN COULD BE
22 PLACED AT GREATER RISK. A MEMBERSHIP FEE OF \$5,000, \$7,000
23 DOES NOT ENSURE THE CHARACTER OF THOSE WHO WILL BE COMING UP
24 INTO OUR COMMUNITY. OUR OPPOSITION NOW TOTALS, ON THE
25 SIGNATURES AND ON THE PETITIONS, 495 RESIDENTS WHO OPPOSE A



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1 RECREATIONAL TRAILER PARK IN THE COMMUNITY. ALSO, ON PAGES 10
2 AND 11 OF YOUR PACKAGE, PLEASE SEE BIOLOGICAL HABITAT REPORT.
3 PLEASE SEE THE LETTERHEAD AND JUST WHOM ENVICON REPRESENTS. IT
4 IS ALSO-- THIS REPORT IS ALSO UNACCEPTABLE, IT'S OUT OF
5 PROTOCOL, OUT OF SEASON, OUT OF SEQUENCE. WE REQUEST A NEW
6 REPORT BY AN INDEPENDENT BIOLOGIST TO BE DONE MARCH 31ST
7 THROUGH AUGUST 31ST OF 2005. THIS IS THE TIME WHEN BIOLOGICAL
8 HABITAT REPORTS SHOULD BE DONE. WATER. WHILE IN THE PAST, THE
9 PRIMARY SOURCE IS WELL, LAKE ELIZABETH MUTUAL WATER COMPANY IS
10 ACCESSING THE AQUEDUCT TO CONSERVE OUR SUBTERRANEAN
11 GROUNDWATER. LAKE ELIZABETH MUTUAL WATER COMPANY WILL THEN
12 INFORM AVEC AS TO HOW MUCH WATER THE COMMUNITY WILL NEED. THEY
13 CAN'T APPLY FOR OPTION FOR SECONDARY WATER AMOUNT. SHOULD A
14 PROBLEM ARISE WITH THE AQUEDUCT, WE SWITCH TO WELLS, OR DURING
15 A DROUGHT. ACCORDING TO PERMIDEON, AUGUST 9TH, 2004, IT'S MY
16 UNDERSTANDING HE STATED THE PROJECT IS USING BOTH. I MAY HAVE
17 MISUNDERSTOOD. I DO NOT KNOW. ACCORDING TO PERMIDEON, HOWEVER,
18 DURING A MEETING ON AUGUST 13TH, 2004, AS LONG AS HE HAS THE
19 MONEY TO PAY FOR THE WATER, HE CAN USE AS MUCH AS HE WANTS
20 BECAUSE IT IS NOT REGULATED.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO WRAP IT UP.
23 YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

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1 **PAULETTE CANAVARAS:** OH, OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WELL, IF YOU CAN LOOK
2 ON PAGE 2 IN YOUR PACKAGE, YOU'LL ALSO-- YOU'LL FIND THIS, YOU
3 KNOW, IN YOUR OPENING LETTER, THERE'S ALSO A LEW DOBS TONIGHT
4 AND A CNN NEXT ON PAGES 5 AND 7 ON THE MAJOR DROUGHT AFFECTING
5 THE WESTERN UNITED STATES AND FAST APPROACHING CALIFORNIA.
6 EXCERPTS ON L.A. TIMES MAGAZINE GROUNDWATER, ON THE VERY FINAL
7 PACKAGE OF YOUR PACKAGE DATED 8-21-04. A RECENT WILDFIRE,
8 THEREFORE REQUEST A NEW E.I.R. WE ARE IN A FIRE 4 ZONE AREA.
9 THE RECENT WILDFIRES DEFINITELY SHOW GOOD CAUSE FOR A NEW FIRE
10 STUDY. KIPTREE IS UNREASONABLE AS A RANCH CLUB.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

13

14 **PAULETTE CANAVARAS:** WE WERE AWAKENED TO MANDATORY EVACUATIONS
15 DURING THE PINE CANYON FIRES AT 3:00 A.M. PLEASE IMAGINE WHAT
16 IT WOULD BE LIKE FOR ALL RESIDENTS, THEIR CHILDREN AND ANIMALS
17 ATTEMPTING TO EVACUATE WITH OVER 500 TRAILERS, R.V.S AND ALSO
18 DWELLERS OF THE PROPOSED CABINS. IT COULD CULMINATE IN
19 DISASTER.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. PLEASE WRAP IT UP, PLEASE. OKAY.
22 THANK YOU.

23

24 **PAULETTE CANAVARAS:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WHO'S NEXT?

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3 **KORYNN KOHLER:** I'LL GO NEXT. THANK YOU. HONORARY BOARD, MY
4 NAME IS KORYNN KOHLER. I'M A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY. I'M ALSO
5 CONCERNED ABOUT THE METHODS THAT ARE BEING UTILIZED TO PUT
6 THIS PROJECT IN. ESSENTIALLY WHAT IS OCCURRING IS THE
7 COMMUNITY ON RANCH CLUB ROAD IN ELIZABETH LAKE IS ESSENTIALLY
8 LANDLOCKED. WE HAVE ONE INGRESS, ONE EGRESS, ONE WAY IN, ONE
9 WAY OUT. SPECIFICALLY, THAT PINE CANYON FIRE BLOCKED OUR IN
10 AND OUT EXITS. IT ALSO FORCED US TO REASSESS, HOW DOES OUR
11 INTERNAL COMMUNITY HAVE EVACUATION MEASURES? SO THAT IS OF A
12 CONCERN. WE ISSUE A PETITION TO HAVE NOT ONLY RANCH CLUB ROAD
13 BE THE ONLY WAY IN AND OUT. THERE MUST BE AN ALTERNATE ROUTE
14 SPECIFICALLY FOR VISITORS, FOR THEIR SAFETY, FOR OUR SAFETY AS
15 A COMMUNITY. SECONDARY TO THAT, WE ARE ALSO UNDER A WATER-- A
16 DROUGHT SITUATION. ALSO, WE HAVE SITUATIONS WHERE WE'RE
17 BRINGING IN OVER 500 OR A PROPOSED 500 R.V. UNITS INTO A
18 COMMUNITY THAT IS ONLY VOTER REGISTRATION OF 1,800. THE
19 NUMBERS ALONE, THREE PEOPLE PER R.V. TIMES 500 IS 1,500 EVERY
20 TWO WEEKS WITH A 3,000 CAP POPULATION POTENTIALLY COMING INTO
21 A COMMUNITY OF 1,800. NOT ACCEPTABLE. WE DO NOT HAVE THE
22 INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUSTAIN THIS TYPE OF RESORT AT THIS TIME.
23 THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE MEASURES ARE NOT ADEQUATE ENOUGH TO
24 VERIFY AND VALIDATE THIS EXTENSIVE PROJECT. N.P.D.E.S. WILL
25 NOT HAVE ANY JURISDICTION OVER THIS AS THIS IS A SUB-MINOR



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1 CLASSIFICATION FOR STORM. WE ARE ON SEPTIC. WE HAVE NITRATES
2 AND TOXIFICATION OF OUR WATER WELLS AND OUR LAKES AT THIS
3 TIME. YOU MAY LOOK AT YOUR SANTA CLARA WATERSHED REPORTS WHICH
4 DO STATE THAT UTRO PURIFICATION AND VARIETY OF TOXINS ARE IN
5 OUR CURRENT WATER LAKE, ELIZABETH LAKE. WE DON'T BELIEVE THAT
6 PEOPLE THAT WILL BE COMING INTO OUR COMMUNITY ARE GOING TO BE
7 OF BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE THERE IS NO MONETARY
8 BENEFIT, NO ADDITIONAL PARKWAY IS GOING TO BE GRANTED, NOTHING
9 THAT THE COMMUNITY GETS TO REAP. WE PAY THE PRICE BASED ON
10 TRAFFIC, WE PAY THE PRICE BASED ON THE PEOPLE THAT ARE COMING
11 INTO OUR COMMUNITY. OUR COMMUNITY IS A VERY SMALL COMMUNITY.
12 OUR CHILDREN PLAY OUT IN THE STREETS BECAUSE WE DO NOT HAVE
13 PARK ACCESS. THIS COMMUNITY WAS TOUTED AS BEING PART OF OUR
14 NEW COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP FOR THIS R.V. PARK. THE COMMUNITY WAS
15 TO BE ABLE TO HAVE ACCESS TO THE POOLS, TO THE TENNIS COURTS,
16 TO THE FISHING BOATS, THE PONDS, EVERYTHING. THAT HAS NOW BEEN
17 RETRACTED AND WE ARE NOW SUBJECT TO PAYING THE SAME SIMILAR
18 RATES AS A MEMBER WOULD EVEN THOUGH WE LIVE IN THAT COMMUNITY.
19 WE NOW ARE NO LONGER WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS JOINT
20 VENTURE ELIZABETH LAKE PROPERTIES CALLED A RECREATIONAL
21 TRAILER PARK. IT WILL ALSO DEVALUE MY PROPERTY AND I ALSO LIVE
22 ON RANCH CLUB ROAD. I AM DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY THE TRAVERSEMENT
23 OF THESE VEHICLES AND I AM VERY UNHAPPY ABOUT THIS BEING THE
24 ONLY INGRESS/EGRESS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. NEXT?

2

3 **PEGGY MOORE:** MY NAME IS PEGGY MOORE AND MY BIGGEST CONCERN IS
4 THE WATER. WE HAVE-- BACK IN OCTOBER OF '65, 1965, A STUDY WAS
5 DONE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY ENGINEERS ENTITLED HUGHES
6 ELIZABETH LAKES WATER STUDY REPORT, SECTION GROUNDWATER
7 REPUNISHMENT AND IT STATES, "AN AVERAGE SAFE YIELD OF
8 APPROXIMATELY 500-ACRE FEET PER YEAR." THEREFORE, FUTURE LOCAL
9 DEVELOPMENT, BASED UPON A WATER DEMAND NOT BEING OVEREXTENDED
10 DURING SOME FUTURE DROUGHT AS LONG AS FIVE YEARS EXPERIENCED
11 THUS FAR WOULD BE ONE SUPPORTING A FULL-TIME POPULATION OF
12 LESS THAN 2,500 PEOPLE. LAKE ELIZABETH, ITS POPULATION ALONE
13 IS 2,800 PEOPLE. AND THEN LAKE HUGHES' POPULATION IS AROUND
14 1,600. THAT ALREADY EXCEEDS WHAT THE DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY
15 ENGINEERS HAS SAID THAT WHAT OUR WATER IS. WHEN THERE IS A
16 DROUGHT, THE WATER TABLE GOES DOWN. THEREFORE, EVERYONE THINKS
17 THAT THEY CAN, YOU KNOW, PUT STUFF IN BECAUSE THE PERCOLATION
18 TEST WILL PASS. OKAY. THAT'S FINE BUT IT DOESN'T LAST. EITHER
19 THE WATER TABLE COMES UP, THERE IS JUST TOO MANY PEOPLE. WE'VE
20 HAD SEWER SYSTEMS, SEPTIC SYSTEMS OVERFLOW WHEN THE WATER
21 TABLE COMES UP, IT GOES OUT ONTO THE ROADS IN OUR
22 NEIGHBORHOOD. YOU HAVE THIS HAPPEN, THE SEPTIC SYSTEM THAT
23 WOULD BE UP IN THE RANCH CLUB WHERE THIS TRAILER PARK IS GOING
24 TO BE GOING, IT'S GOING TO BE OVERFLOWING, GOING INTO THE
25 LAKES AND WATER, I DON'T CARE WHAT THEY SAY, IT WILL ALL BE,



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1 YOU KNOW, PIPED AWAY. IT DOESN'T WORK THAT WAY. IF IT'S GOING
2 TO COME UP, IT'S GOING TO COME UP. AS WITH THE ONE ASIDE FROM
3 THE WATER, THE FIRE RISK. AS YOU ALL KNOW, ANGELES CREST GOT
4 SHUT DOWN JUST THIS MORNING. YOU HAVE ALL OF THESE R.V.S GOING
5 UP THERE AND YOU'RE TELLING ME THAT THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE
6 TAKING THEIR A.T.V.S OR THREE-WHEELERS, WHATEVER THEY HAVE UP
7 INTO THE MOUNTAINS? LARGE FIRE RISK. THAT, I MEAN, AND THERE
8 ISN'T ENOUGH PEOPLE TO BE PATROLLING THE PATHWAYS AROUND THE
9 AREA. IT JUST-- IT'S IMPOSSIBLE. WITH THAT, I THANK YOU VERY
10 MUCH.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COME DOWN.
13 WARREN?

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15 **WARREN B. MILLER:** MY NAME IS WARREN B. MILLER, I'M A RESIDENT
16 OF 20 YEARS AND A BUSINESS OWNER IN GREEN VALLEY. AND I'M
17 TRYING TO ADDRESS THE-- CAN YOU HEAR ME WELL?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CAN HEAR YOU JUST FINE.

20

21 **WARREN B. MILLER:** I DON'T WANT TO BE YELLING IN HERE.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NO, WE HAD A PROBLEM WITH THAT MIKE OVER
24 THERE. YOURS IS WORKING JUST FINE. THANK YOU.

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1 **WARREN B. MILLER:** I WANT TO ADDRESS THE TRAFFIC PROBLEM AND
2 GOING ACCORDING TO THE TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY PREPARED FOR THE
3 DEVELOPER OF THE RANCH CLUB, BRETT ROBINSON, USING THOSE FACTS
4 AND FIGURES, THE-- ON PAGE 9 OF THE REPORT, IT INDICATES THAT,
5 AT FULL BUILDOUT, IT IS ESTIMATED THIS PROJECT WILL GENERATE A
6 TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY 1,942 VEHICULAR TRIPS PER DAY. NOW,
7 THAT'S 2,000 PER DAY. NOW, THERE'S ONE ROAD INTO THIS PLACE.
8 NO OTHER ROADS OUT. JUST ONE. ONE ROAD IN AND OUT. NOW, IF YOU
9 TRY TO FIGURE IT ALL OUT, EVERY 30 SECONDS, THEY WILL ADD A
10 VEHICLE TO OUR ROAD. EVERY 30 SECONDS UP AND DOWN, UP AND
11 DOWN. NOW, THESE ARE THE MOTOR HOMES THAT ARE COMING IN AND
12 OUT OF THE RANCH CLUB, WHICH LOOKS LIKE YOU MIGHT BE BUILDING
13 SOMETHING BACK IN THERE. IT'S KIND OF CLUSTERY. BUT IF YOU
14 KEEP ON GOING NOW, IF YOU TRY TO FIGURE OUT THE HOURS THAT
15 HE'S GOING TO BE OPEN, I BELIEVE IT'S 6:00 IN THE MORNING TO
16 10:00 AT NIGHT. AND, RIGHT NOW, USING THE SAME FORMULAS THAT
17 HE'S USING BY ONE OF THESE CHARTS THAT HE'S PRESENTED, THEY
18 SAY 400 CARS, AND I'LL SAY 800 A DAY. THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE NOW.
19 I'LL DOUBLE WHAT HE SAYS. WE HAVE 800 A DAY AND HE'S GOING TO
20 ADD 2,000 TO THAT. IT MAKES YOU STOP AND THINK FOR A SECOND.
21 2,000 MORE. NOW, THAT MEANS, EVERY 30 SECONDS, THEY'VE ADDED A
22 CAR, PLUS THE CARS THAT WE HAVE AND THEY'RE PROBABLY, WHAT,
23 ANOTHER, WHAT, MINUTE APART? SO, EVERY 45 SECONDS, A VEHICLE--
24 EVERY 20 SECONDS, A VEHICLE'S GOING DOWN THE ROAD, PROBABLY
25 JUST LONG ENOUGH FOR THE KIDS TO RUN BACK AND FORTH AND BE



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1 MISSED. I HOPE THAT THAT WOULD BE SO. THAT'S ONE ISSUE. NOW,
2 IF THEY DO PUSH KIPTREE THROUGH, BECAUSE WE ARE IN A MAJOR
3 FIRE DISTRICT, WE'RE CLOSED NOW, ALL THE FOREST ALL THE WAY
4 AROUND US IS CLOSED BECAUSE IT'S SUCH EXTREME FIRE HAZARD AND
5 THEY'RE SAYING THEY'RE GOING TO PUT A EXIT ON THE BACK SIDE
6 THROUGH KIPTREE, EXTENDED THROUGH THE GOLF COURSE, WHICH
7 SOUNDS REAL GOOD, EXCEPT IT JUST PUSHES IT THROUGH TO ANOTHER
8 NEIGHBORHOOD WITH SMALLER STREETS AND ANOTHER TWO OR 300
9 HOMES. NOW, IF YOU TAKE THE MOTOR HOMES, WHICH AVERAGE MOTOR
10 HOME, 25 TO 40 FEET LONG, WE'LL SAY 30 FEET. IF YOU TAKE 500
11 MOTOR HOMES AND PUSH THEM ALL DOWN THIS SIDE STREET, YOU'VE
12 GOT THREE MILES OF MOTOR HOMES TRYING TO GET OUT THE SIDE
13 STREET. NOBODY CAN GET OUT OF THEIR HOUSES WITH THREE MILES OF
14 MOTOR HOMES. I MEAN, IT SOUNDS LIKE SOME GUY MAKING A BUNCH OF
15 NONSENSE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THAT'S IF THEY LEFT AND ALL WENT AT THE
18 SAME TIME, I WOULD ASSUME.

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20 **WARREN B. MILLER:** WELL, IF WE HAD AN EMERGENCY EVACUATION, THE
21 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SHOWS UP WITH HELICOPTERS AND SIRENS AND
22 THEY WAKE US UP, THIS IS-- IN 20 YEARS, WE'VE BEEN EVACUATED
23 SIX TIMES. WE HAVE A FIRE EVERY SINGLE YEAR. IT'S NOT A MADE-
24 UP IDEA. THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS.

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1 **SPEAKER:** THIS YEAR, WE'VE BEEN EVACUATED TWICE.

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3 **WARREN B. MILLER:** WE EXPECT ANOTHER FIRE THIS YEAR. WE HOPE IT
4 DOESN'T GET OUT OF CONTROL. WE MAY BE EVACUATED AGAIN THIS
5 YEAR. THIS IS A REAL SITUATION. KIPTREE SHOULD NOT JUST BE
6 PUSHED THROUGH TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD, IT SHOULD GO ALL THE WAY
7 OUT TO ELIZABETH LAKE ROAD AS A TRUE EMERGENCY EXIT. SORRY I
8 RAN OVER. I HAD TO TAKE THE DAY OFF, I UNDERSTAND THIS IS YOUR
9 JOB, BUT MY REAL JOB IS RUNNING MY BUSINESS. THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY. I WOULD
12 ASK BRETT ROBINSON, SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. WE HAD SOME OTHERS
13 THAT WANTED TO SPEAK ONLY IF THERE WERE QUESTIONS BUT I WOULD
14 ASK BRETT TO COME FORWARD, PLEASE. WHATEVER SEAT YOU LIKE.

15

16 **BRETT ROBINSON:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
17 BRETT ROBINSON. I'M THE PRESIDENT AND MANAGING MEMBER OF LAKE
18 ELIZABETH GOLF AND RANCH CLUB. I'LL BE VERY BRIEF TODAY IN MY
19 COMMENTS. I BELIEVE THE BOARD AND THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT HAS
20 DONE A GREAT JOB OF RENEWING THE PROJECT AND ALL THE
21 MITIGATION MEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN PUT INTO PLACE. IF YOU
22 COULD INDULGE ME FOR JUST A SECOND, THOUGH, WHAT I'D LIKE TO
23 DO IS IDENTIFY A NUMBER OF THE PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE WITH US
24 TODAY THAT HAVE COME IN SUPPORT OF THE PROJECT, SO IF THEY
25 COULD STAND JUST TO KIND OF SHOW THEIR SUPPORT, I WOULD



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1 APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU. ALSO, AS THE REST OF US, OBVIOUSLY,
2 A NUMBER OF THEM HAVE COME ON THEIR OFF DAYS, THEY'RE TAKING
3 TIME OFF FROM WORK TO COME DOWN, SO I CERTAINLY APPRECIATE
4 THEIR COMING DOWN. SEPARATELY, I WANT TO INTRODUCE ROGER
5 GUILLEN, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE LAKES TOWN COUNCIL, WHO
6 HAS COME ON OUR BEHALF AS WELL. AGAIN, AS I MENTIONED, I'LL BE
7 VERY BRIEF IN MY COMMENTS BUT BASICALLY WHAT I WANTED TO LET
8 EVERYONE KNOW IS THAT LAKE ELIZABETH GOLF AND RANCH CLUB IS A
9 RECREATIONAL USE PROPERTY, IT HAS BEEN SO SINCE THE 1940S, AND
10 WHAT WE'RE PROPOSING IS TO CONTINUE THE USE, THE RECREATIONAL
11 USE THAT WE BELIEVE IS IN THE COUNTY'S VISION FOR THE AREA.
12 THE AREA HAS A HISTORY OF SUPPORTING RECREATION. THERE WAS A
13 RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARK WHICH WAS ACTUALLY LARGER IN SIZE
14 THAN THE ONE THAT WE'RE PROPOSING AND THAT EXISTED FOR A
15 NUMBER OF YEARS WITHOUT ANY INCIDENT. AND SO WHAT WE'RE
16 PROPOSING IS SOMETHING THAT IS IN CONCERT WITH WHAT HAS BEEN
17 DONE IN THE PAST THERE. ONE OF THE OTHER THINGS I WANTED TO
18 MENTION IS THAT OUR-- WHAT WE'VE DONE AS PART OF OUR PROPOSED
19 PROJECT IS TO INVOLVE THE COMMUNITY. WE'VE DONE THAT THROUGH
20 THE LAKES TOWN COUNCIL. I SPOKE AT TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS OVER
21 ABOUT AN 18-MONTH PERIOD. A LOT OF THE PEOPLE, WE HAD SOME
22 SPIRITED CONVERSATION ABOUT THE DEVELOPMENT AND WHAT WE DID
23 WAS WE WERE ABLE TO INCORPORATE A LOT OF THE CONCERNS OF THE
24 COMMUNITY AND WE WERE ABLE TO INCORPORATE THAT INTO OUR DESIGN
25 AND WE WERE ABLE TO GET A LOT OF GOOD FEEDBACK FROM THE



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1 PEOPLE. AND, AGAIN, WE DO HAVE SUPPORT THERE. ANOTHER THING
2 THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO IS CONTINUE TO BE A COMMUNITY-BASED
3 BUSINESS. WE DO OWN THE BASEBALL FIELD IN THE AREA AND WE HAVE
4 PROVIDED THAT FOR NO COST TO THE LOCAL LITTLE LEAGUES. WE
5 MAINTAIN THAT OVER THE YEARS AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO THAT
6 AND PROVIDE THAT. THERE'S NUMEROUS OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS THAT
7 WE'VE HOSTED OVER THE YEARS AT NO COST: WOMEN'S MEETINGS,
8 MEETINGS FOR THE WATER DISTRICT, ET CETERA. SO, BASICALLY,
9 WHAT WE WANT TO DO IS TRY TO CONTINUE TO BE SOMETHING THAT IS
10 SUPPORTIVE OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE AREA THAT CREATES
11 JOBS FOR THE PEOPLE IN THE AREA. I BELIEVE IT WILL HELP
12 CONTINUE TO IMPROVE PROPERTY VALUES, ET CETERA. AND, AGAIN, AS
13 I MENTIONED BEFORE, I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME IN CONSIDERING THE
14 PROJECT AND I'LL DEFER THE REST OF MY TIME. THANKS.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ANYONE ELSE NEED TO SPEAK, OR...

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18 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

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22 **SPEAKER:** HOW ARE YOU THIS MORNING? I'VE BEEN IN LAKE HUGHES
23 FOR 26 YEARS. I'VE BEEN PRESIDENT OF THE LAKES TOWN COUNCIL
24 FOR THE LAST SIX YEARS. THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN PROTESTING,
25 VERY FEW OF THEM EVER COME TO A MEETING WHERE MR. ROBINSON HAS



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1 REPRESENTED HIMSELF OR AN EMPLOYEE THERE AT EVERY ONE OF THE
2 MEETINGS. THIS PARTICULAR PROPERTY HAS BEEN RECREATIONAL
3 SINCE, LIKE HE SAID, THE '40S. IT'S A BEAUTIFUL BUILDING, IF
4 YOU HAVEN'T BEEN UP THERE AND I AM FOR THE RECREATIONAL PARK.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL. ANY QUESTIONS? IF
7 NOT, WE HAVE ONE MORE PERSON, MICHAEL RAYMOND BAUER.

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9 **MICHAEL R. BAUER:** GOOD MORNING.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING.

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13 **MICHAEL R. BAUER:** YES, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I WOULD LIKE TO
14 MENTION THAT THE FIRE EVACUATION PLAN THAT THEY'VE BEEN HAVING
15 ON THE EVACUATIONS FOR THE FIRES HAS BEEN HAPPENING UP THERE.
16 I HIGHLY SUPPORT THAT THAT PLAN BE PASSED AND THAT YOU GUYS
17 ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS COUNTY, SO I REQUEST THAT THE COUNTY
18 BE ABLE TO FUND FOR THEY CAN HAVE SOME KIND OF ROUTE TO
19 ACTUALLY GET OUT OF THAT AREA IF THERE IS A FIRE AGAIN IN THAT
20 AREA OF THE LAND. THE REASON I'M REQUESTING THIS, THERE'S
21 PROBABLY A LOT OF KIDS UP THERE AND IF THERE'S KIDS UP THERE
22 AND THEY ARE ACTUALLY IN SCHOOL, AND THERE'S NO WAY FOR THEM
23 TO EVACUATE, YOU GOT MURDERS. YOU GOT KIDS THAT ARE DYING
24 BECAUSE THEY HAVE NO WAY TO EVACUATE. THE SCHOOLS UP IN THAT
25 AREA SHOULD HAVE A WAY TO ACTUALLY HAVE AN EMERGENCY



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1 EVACUATION PLAN SO THEY KNOW HOW TO GET OUT OF THE AREA IF
2 THERE'S A FAST-MOVING FIRE AND THEY KNOW HOW TO GET THE
3 QUICKEST WAY OUT. I ALSO REQUEST THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
4 FOR THIS CITY AND THE LAND USE THAT IS IN IT BUILD AN
5 UNDERGROUND SUBWAY THAT COULD BE USED IN AN EMERGENCY
6 SITUATION, LIKE A FIRE, EARTHQUAKE, OR SOMETHING WHERE IT
7 ACTUALLY CAN BE A WAY FOR THE FAMILIES AND THE KIDS TO GET OUT
8 AND BE MOVED TO A SAFER AREA. MAYBE THE METROPOLITAN
9 TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY COULD ACTUALLY AUTHORIZE US FOR A
10 SUBWAY TO BE BUILT UP IN THAT AREA TO MAYBE ALL THE WAY
11 DOWNTOWN L.A. SO THAT THE KIDS CAN COME OUT HERE WHILE THE
12 FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE UP THERE FIGHTING THE FIRES AND THAT WAY
13 THEY CAN BE SAFE AND THEY DON'T HAVE TO BE WORRIED ABOUT
14 SITUATIONS THAT ARE GOING ON OUT THERE. FAMILIES MAY BE ABLE
15 TO HELP OTHER PEOPLE OUT BY-- IF THERE'S SOMEBODY THAT LIVES
16 IN THAT AREA, HAS FAMILY OUT HERE, THEY CAN ACTUALLY TAKE THE
17 TRAIN OUT HERE AND ACTUALLY THEY CAN LIVE WITH THE RELATIVES
18 IN L.A. OR SURROUNDING AREAS OF L.A. INSTEAD OF BEING STUCK IN
19 THERE AND FAMILIES GET WORRIED BECAUSE THEY HAVE NO WAY TO GET
20 OUT. I THINK THIS WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA THAT THE METROPOLITAN
21 TRANSIT AUTHORITY ACTUALLY TAKE A PLAN LIKE THIS JUST IN CASE
22 THERE IS A FIRE, LIKE IN OCTOBER OF LAST YEAR, WHERE IT WAS
23 UNCONTROLLABLE. WE HAD TO HAVE ALMOST-- ALMOST THE WHOLE
24 ENTIRE STATE FIGHTING THAT FIRE. OTHER COUNTIES WERE COMING
25 ACTUALLY INTO L.A. COUNTY. WE WERE GOING OUT AND HELPING SAN



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1 BERNARDINO COUNTY, WE WERE OUT HELPING SAN DIEGO COUNTY.
2 IMAGINE A FIRE LIKE WHAT HAPPENED IN SAN DIEGO. ALL THOSE
3 ANIMALS THAT WERE KILLED UP THERE. WOULD YOU WANT SOMETHING
4 LIKE THAT TO HAPPEN UP IN THIS AREA WHERE THERE'S KIDS,
5 THERE'S PARKS, THERE'S BASEBALL FIELDS? WHAT HAPPENS IF IT
6 HAPPENS DURING A LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL GAME AND YOU HAVE NO
7 WAY TO HAVE THE KIDS EVACUATED, NO WAY TO HAVE THE FAMILIES
8 EVACUATE? I THINK GLORIA MOLINA, SINCE YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF
9 THIS AREA-- GLORIA? I THINK, SINCE YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF THIS
10 AREA, I THINK YOU SHOULD CONTACT THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT
11 AUTHORITY.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I DON'T BELIEVE SHE'S IN CHARGE OF THIS
14 AREA BUT THAT'S OKAY. GO AHEAD, FINISH UP.

15

16 **MICHAEL R. BAUER:** DISTRICT ONE, I MEAN. SHE'S ACTUALLY THE ONE
17 THAT CAN CONTACT THE METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY. I THINK
18 YOU SHOULD ACTUALLY CONTACT THEM AND SEE IF THEY'RE WILLING TO
19 DO A PLAN LIKE THIS, BECAUSE IT GIVES THE KIDS AND THE
20 FAMILIES IN THE AREA TO EVACUATE AND THEN THEY WOULDN'T HAVE
21 TO RISK THEIR LIVES TO ACTUALLY TRYING TO FIND SOME WAY OUT BY
22 PACKING UP AND ALL THAT.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM...

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME ASK THE PUBLIC WORKS,
2 LET'S GET BACK TO THE TRAFFIC SURVEY RELATIVE TO THE NUMBER OF
3 VEHICLES THAT WILL BE IMPACTED. THERE'S BEEN A TRAFFIC STUDY
4 FOR THE PROJECT AND YOU REVIEWED THAT. WHAT IS YOUR
5 CONCLUSION?

6

7 **DENNIS HUNTER:** PUBLIC-- AGAIN, MY NAME IS DENNIS HUNTER FROM
8 THE DEPARTMENT...

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CAN YOU MOVE THAT MICROPHONE OVER A LITTLE
11 BIT PLEASE SO YOU'RE TALKING DIRECTLY-- THANK YOU.

12

13 **DENNIS HUNTER:** DENNIS HUNTER FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
14 WORKS. THE APPLICANT DID HIRE A TRAFFIC CONSULTANT AND
15 PREPARED A TRAFFIC STUDY WHICH WAS REVIEWED BY PUBLIC WORKS.
16 FROM A C.E.Q.A. TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY STANDPOINT AND A LEVEL OF
17 SERVICE ANALYSIS, WE AGREE WITH THE CONSULTANTS' CONCLUSIONS
18 THAT THE LEVEL OF SERVICE OF THE ROADWAYS WITHIN THE LAKE
19 ELIZABETH COMMUNITY WILL PERFORM AT A HIGH LEVEL, EITHER LEVEL
20 A OR LEVEL B. IN ADDITION TO THE CONSULTANTS' RECOMMENDATIONS,
21 PUBLIC WORKS CONDITIONED THE PROJECT TO CONSTRUCT KIPTREE
22 DRIVE BETWEEN BEAVER BROOK AND DOGWOOD AS WELL AS IMPROVE THE
23 INTERSECTION OF LAKE ELIZABETH AND RANCH CLUB DRIVE. THE
24 CONSTRUCTION OF KIPTREE WILL HELP IN PROVIDING A SECOND MEANS



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1 OF ACCESS BY PUBLIC STREETS OUT OF THE COMMUNITY AS OPPOSED TO
2 THE SINGLE MEANS THAT CURRENTLY EXISTS BY RANCH CLUB DRIVE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PROPOSAL IS TO HAVE A FOUR-WAY STOP SIGN
5 AT THE INTERSECTION OF RANCH CLUB AND SAN BROCK. IS THIS WHAT
6 THE DEPARTMENT IS SUPPORTING?

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8 **DENNIS HUNTER:** WE HAVE REVIEWED THAT SITUATION. WE BELIEVE
9 THAT A FOUR-WAY STOP SIGN CONTROL WOULD BE UNNECESSARY AT THAT
10 INTERSECTION.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IS THE PROJECT SUBJECT TO THE NATIONAL
13 POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM AND WOULD A PERMIT BE
14 REQUIRED PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION BEGINNING?

15

16 **DENNIS HUNTER:** YES. THE PROJECT IS SUBJECT TO THE CURRENT NPDS
17 PERMIT ISSUED TO L.A. COUNTY FROM THE REGIONAL BOARD AND, AS A
18 RESULT, A STORM WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION PLAN WILL BE
19 REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE REGIONAL BOARD AS WELL AS A
20 STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AND A WET WEATHER EROSION CONTROL
21 PLAN TO PUBLIC WORKS PRIOR TO THE ISSUANCE OF A GRADING
22 PERMIT.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO WE HAVE A FIRE REPRESENTATIVE HERE? FIRE
25 DEPARTMENT? WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP. LET ME ASK COUNTY



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1 COUNSEL, THE ISSUE WAS RAISED ABOUT POTENTIAL IMPACT RELATIVE
2 TO THE ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES. HOW DID STAFF ADDRESS THIS
3 PARTICULAR ISSUE?

4

5 **RICHARD WEISS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, TWO
6 SEPARATE HISTORICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEYS WERE CONDUCTED
7 ON THE PROJECT SITE, ONE GOING BACK IN 1988, A SECOND ONE IN
8 2003. THE REPORTS INDICATED THAT THERE WERE NO KNOWN
9 PREHISTORIC OR MORE MODERN CULTURAL RESOURCES ON THE SITE. NOT
10 WITHSTANDING THAT, THE CONDITIONS THAT WERE IMPOSED BY THE
11 PLANNING COMMISSION REQUIRE THAT THE APPLICANT CEASE ANY
12 GRADING OR CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES IN THE EVENT ANY POTENTIAL
13 RESOURCES ARE DISCOVERED UNTIL A QUALIFIED ARCHAEOLOGIST CAN
14 EXAMINE IT AND RECOMMEND MITIGATION MEASURES AND THE APPLICANT
15 MUST COMPLY WITH THOSE MEASURES AS APPROVED BY REGIONAL
16 PLANNING.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND YOU REVIEWED THOSE MITIGATED DECLARATIONS
19 FOR THE PROJECT?

20

21 **RICHARD WEISS:** WE HAVE REVIEWED THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE
22 DECLARATION THAT'S BEEN PREPARED FOR THE PROJECT.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND YOU'RE COMFORTABLE WITH THOSE?

25



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1 **RICHARD WEISS:** WE BELIEVE THERE IS SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE AND
2 RECORD TO SUPPORT THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE
3 DECLARATION THAT, GIVEN THE PROJECT CHANGES AND MITIGATION
4 MEASURES, THE PROJECT CAN BE IMPLEMENTED WITHOUT ANY ADVERSE
5 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF HAS
8 PERFORMED THE SUFFICIENT C.E.Q.A. ANALYSIS FOR THE PROJECT?

9

10 **RICHARD WEISS:** YES, WE BELIEVE SO.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, YOU'VE HAD HEARD
13 THE ISSUE RELATIVE TO FIRE AND SAFETY. HAVE YOU REVIEWED THIS
14 PROPOSED SITE PLAN FOR THIS PROJECT?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** YES, SIR. THE PLANS FOR THIS PROJECT HAVE BEEN
17 REVIEWED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S LAND DEVELOPMENT UNIT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND IS THE INGRESS AND EGRESS SATISFACTORY?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** YES, SIR. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAVE SET CONDITIONS
22 REQUIRING TWO MEANS OF ACCESS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ARE YOU CONFIDENT THAT OCCUPANTS COULD BE
25 EVACUATED SAFELY IN AN EMERGENCY?



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2 **SPEAKER:** YES. BASED ON OUR REQUIREMENTS FOR THE APPLICANT TO
3 PROVIDE TWO MEANS OF ACCESS. THAT'S CORRECT.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU HAD ISSUED A MEMORANDUM TO THE DEPARTMENT
6 OF REGIONAL PLANNING ON JANUARY 29TH OF THIS YEAR. DOES THAT
7 MEMORANDUM INCORPORATE THE MOST RECENT COMMENTS AND CONDITIONS
8 OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** YES, SIR, IT DOES.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND FOR REGIONAL PLANNING, DID YOUR C.E.Q.A.
13 ANALYSIS CONCLUDE THAT THERE'S ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY?

14

15 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THE ANALYSIS DID CONCLUDE
16 THAT. WE CONSULTED WITH THE LAKE ELIZABETH MUTUAL WATER
17 COMPANY.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID YOU INVESTIGATE WHETHER THERE ARE
20 POTENTIALLY ADVERSE AIR QUALITY IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE
21 PROJECT?

22

23 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** AIR QUALITY IMPACTS WERE CONSIDERED IN THE
24 INITIAL CITY PROCESS. WE DID CONSULT WITH THE AIR QUALITY
25 MANAGEMENT DISTRICT. THEY DID NOT COMMENT. AND, AS A PART OF



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1 THE CONDITIONS IMPOSED ON THIS PROJECT, THE APPLICANT WILL--
2 MUST FOLLOW SOME PROCEDURES FOR MITIGATING DUST RELATED TO
3 CONSTRUCTION.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DID YOU CONCLUDE THAT THERE ARE ANY
6 ADVERSE AIR QUALITY IMPACTS?

7

8 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** THEY WERE DETERMINED NOT SIGNIFICANT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID YOUR STAFF INVESTIGATE WHETHER THERE WERE
11 ANY ADVERSE NOISE IMPACTS?

12

13 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** YES, WE DID. THAT WAS CONSIDERED AS PART OF
14 THE INITIAL STUDY PROCESS. WE CONSULTED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
15 HEALTH SERVICES.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DID YOU RAISE THE CONCERNS ABOUT THE ADEQUACY
18 OF THE BIOLOGICAL STUDIES AND COULD YOU TELL US WHAT THOSE
19 BIOLOGICAL STUDIES, WHEN THEY WERE PERFORMED AND WHETHER THEY
20 CONFORMED TO ESTABLISH PROTOCOL?

21

22 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** I WOULD LIKE TO REFER TO DR. DARRELL KOOTNIK
23 OF OUR STAFF.

24



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1 **DR. DARRELL KOOTNIK:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DARRELL
2 KOOTNIK WITH THE REGIONAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND WE HAVE
3 REVIEWED THE BIOLOGICAL STUDIES THAT THE APPLICANT HAD
4 PREPARED FOR HIS PROJECT. BASED ON OUR INITIAL ANALYSIS, WE
5 REQUESTED ADDITIONAL SURVEYS TO BE DONE IN THE SPRINGTIME
6 FOCUSING ON CERTAIN POTENTIALLY OCCURRING SPECIES. WE ARE
7 SATISFIED THAT ALL THE APPROPRIATE PROTOCOL FOR THE LIKELY
8 SENSITIVE SPECIES TO OCCUR IN THE AREA HAVE BEEN PERFORMED.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND DOES THE REGIONAL PLANNING FEEL THAT THE
11 PROPOSED USE IS CONSISTENT WITH THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY?

12

13 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** YES, WE DO AND WE FEEL IT'S CONSISTENT WITH
14 THE SORT OF USES DESIGNATED FOR THIS AREA IN THE ANTELOPE
15 VALLEY AREA PLAN.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE 498 R.V. SPACES ARE APPROPRIATE FOR
18 THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY?

19

20 **RUSSELL FRICANO:** YES, THEY ARE. DENSITIES AT RECREATIONAL
21 VEHICLE PARKS ARE DETERMINED IN THE ZONING ORDINANCE. STAFF
22 HAS CALCULATED THAT THE PERMITTEE WOULD BE ALLOWED
23 APPROXIMATELY 12-- HE'S PROPOSING THAT 12 UNITS PER ACRE,
24 WHICH IS HIGHER THAN-- WHICH IS LOWER THAN WHAT IS NORMALLY
25 PERMITTED. SO HE MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS ZONING CODE.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THE APPROVAL OF THIS PERMIT,

3 C.U.P. 02-311-(5) PERMITS THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF AN 18-

4 HOLE GOLF COURSE, CLUBHOUSE AND RELATED FACILITIES. IT

5 INCLUDES THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OF BEER AND WINE IN

6 THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A 498 SPACE RECREATIONAL VEHICLE PARK.

7 THE SALE OF THOSE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WOULD BE AT THE PROPOSED

8 GENERAL STORE AND ACCESSORY USES. THE REGIONAL PLANNING

9 COMMISSION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE PROJECT. AT THE PLANNING

10 COMMISSION HEARING, SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS SPOKE IN SUPPORT OF

11 THE PROJECT, INCLUDING THE PRESIDENT OF THE LAKES TOWN

12 COUNCIL. THE PROPOSED PROJECT WAS CONSIDERED AT SEVERAL

13 MEETINGS OF THE LAKES TOWN COUNCIL AND OTHER COMMUNITY

14 MEETINGS. BOTH THE LAKES TOWN COUNCIL AND THE LAKES COMMUNITY

15 CENTER ASSOCIATION HAVE SUPPORTED THE PROJECT. THE MAJORITY OF

16 COMMUNITY INPUT TO OUR OFFICE HAS ALSO BEEN IN SUPPORT. THE

17 APPLICANT HAS EXPRESSED CONCERNS RELATIVE TO IMPACTS UPON

18 LOCAL ROADWAYS, CULTURAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES,

19 BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES, EMERGENCY ACCESS AND WATER AND AIR

20 QUALITY IMPACTS. STAFFS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,

21 REGIONAL PLANNING AND COUNTY COUNSEL HAVE CONSIDERED THESE

22 ISSUES AND, AS EVIDENCED BY THE TESTIMONY TODAY, MOST OF THOSE

23 CONCERNS HAVE BEEN ADEQUATELY ADDRESSED IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL

24 DOCUMENTATION OR IN THE C.U.P. CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL. THERE

25 REMAINS, HOWEVER, SOME SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES WHICH MERIT



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1 ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL. I'D INDICATE-- MOVE THAT
2 THE BOARD-- THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD INDICATE ITS INTENT
3 TO APPROVE THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION PREPARED FOR THE
4 PROPOSAL, INDICATE ITS INTENT TO APPROVE C.U.P. 02-311-(5) AND
5 FIND ON THE BASIS OF THE WHOLE RECORD BEFORE THE BOARD THAT
6 THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT DOES SUBSTANTIATE THE REQUIRED
7 FINDINGS AND BURDEN OF PROOF FOR A C.U.P., DIRECT COUNTY
8 COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS
9 CONSISTENT WITH THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF
10 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 02-311-(5) WITH THE FOLLOWING
11 ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS. ONE, THE APPLICANT SHALL BEAR ALL COSTS
12 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF FOUR-WAY STOP SIGNS AT THE
13 INTERSECTION OF RANCH CLUB AND SAND ROCK TO THE SATISFACTION
14 OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. FOR THE FIRST FIVE YEARS OF THE
15 LIFE OF THIS PERMIT, THE APPLICANT WILL BE SUBJECT TO
16 MONITORING INSPECTIONS TWICE PER YEAR BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
17 REGIONAL PLANNING. THE COST OF THESE INSPECTIONS WILL BE BORNE
18 BY THE APPLICANT. SUBJECT TO WORKING AROUND SCHEDULED EVENTS,
19 THE EXISTING MEETINGS, BANQUET ROOMS AT THE GOLF COURSE SHOULD
20 BE MADE AVAILABLE TO LOCAL NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS ON A PRO
21 BONO BASIS. THERE SHOULD BE NO LARGE SCALE EVENTS, SUCH AS
22 LARGE P.G.A. TOURNAMENTS THAT BRING IN SEVERAL THOUSAND
23 GUESTS. THE APPLICANT SHALL IMPLEMENT ALL CONDITIONS OF THE
24 FIRE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THE JANUARY 29TH, 2004 FIRE
25 DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IS THERE A SECOND? MOVED AND SECONDED. ANY
3 FURTHER DISCUSSION? ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF? WE NEED TO CLOSE
4 THE PUBLIC HEARING, THEN?

5

6 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** TO THE EXTENT IT HASN'T BEEN, CLOSE
7 THE PUBLIC HEARING AND YOU CAN ACT ON THE SUPERVISOR'S...

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITH THAT, IT'S BEEN MOVED AND
10 SECONDED. ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION? NO QUESTIONS. SO ORDERED.
11 THANK YOU. ITEM 10 IS APPROVED. WE'LL GO BACK TO ITEM NUMBER
12 1. OKAY. THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN. [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IF YOU COULD-- WE STILL HAVE TO CONDUCT
15 BUSINESS. IF YOU'D LEAVE QUIETLY, WE'D APPRECIATE IT. THANK
16 YOU ALL FOR COMING DOWN.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ON NUMBER 27, THEY WERE PEOPLE WHO
19 HAD ARRIVED LATE, THEY HAD WANTED TO SPEAK, AND I'D LIKE TO
20 MOVE FOR RECONSIDERATION SO THAT WE CAN ALSO ASK QUESTIONS OF
21 THE DEPARTMENT...

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'LL RECONSIDER ITEM 27. OKAY. SO
24 ORDERED. FIRST OF ALL, LET'S FINISH ITEM NUMBER 1.

25



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AFTER TABULATING THE
2 BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY
3 PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENT FOR PARCELS
4 WITHIN TRACT NUMBER 46543. THEREFORE, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE
5 AT THIS TIME TO ADOPT THE REGULATION TO EXPAND DRAINAGE
6 BENEFIT ASSESSMENT, AREA NUMBER 5, AND LEVY ASSESSMENTS WITHIN
7 THE AREA OF EXPANSION.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I WOULD MOVE THAT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN? CLOSE THE HEARING AND APPROVE
12 THE ITEM.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND SECONDED BY THE CHAIR. WITHOUT
15 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. THERE'S BEEN A MOTION TO
16 RECONSIDER ITEM 27.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S A LANDSCAPING CONTRACT AT RANCHO, AND THERE
19 WERE PEOPLE WHO CAME IN LATE WHO DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO
20 ADDRESS THE ISSUE AND I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE ALSO THE
21 DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND TO THEIR ISSUES.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. MAY WE HAVE THOSE SIGNED UP ON 27?

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THEY HEARD YOU.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE'S SOMEBODY OVER HERE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ARE YOU JANINE WATKINS?

5

6 **JANINE WATKINS:** YES.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SHE ORIGINALLY SIGNED UP FOR THAT
9 THEN WE'D ALREADY APPROVED IT, THEN SHE WENT TO 51, SO WE'LL
10 GO AHEAD AND RECONSIDER 27.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WE'LL ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO BE READY TO
15 RESPOND.

16

17 **JANINE WATKINS:** MY NAME IS JANINE WATKINS AND I RUN
18 ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE. WHAT I DID IS I CAME BEFORE THE
19 BOARD ON MAY 18TH IN REGARDS TO THIS ISSUE AND, UNFORTUNATELY,
20 I'M BEFORE YOU TODAY, SO I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. IN THE
21 R.F.P. IN QUESTION, ON PAGE 30, IT STATES A PROPOSAL MUST
22 ADHERE TO THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED IN SUBPARAGRAPH
23 1.4, MINIMUM MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS OF THE R.F.P. FAILURE OF
24 THE PROPOSAL TO COMPLY WITH THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS MAY
25 ELIMINATE ITS PROPOSAL FROM ANY FURTHER CONSIDERATION. POINT



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1 ONE FOUR. ATTENDING THE MANDATORY PROPOSALS CONFERENCE AND
2 PHYSICAL WALKTHROUGH INSPECTION OF THE FACILITY, THAT IT'S
3 MANDATORY. AND, ON PAGE 21, IT STATES AGAIN, 2.8, MANDATORY
4 PROPOSALS CONFERENCE. PROPOSERS MUST ATTEND BOTH THE MANDATORY
5 PROPOSER'S CONFERENCE AS WELL AS THE PHYSICAL WALKTHROUGH
6 INSPECTION AT EACH FACILITY FOR WHICH THEY INTEND TO SUBMIT A
7 PROPOSAL. PROPOSALS FROM FIRMS NOT ATTENDING BOTH THE
8 MANDATORY PROPOSALS CONFERENCE AND THE PHYSICAL WALKTHROUGH
9 INSPECTION WILL BE REJECTED. I'VE SUBMITTED TO YOU MY LETTER
10 AND ALSO EXHIBITS FROM THE MAY 18TH. I WILL READ MY LETTER.
11 "HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I AM AMAZED AT THE AMOUNT OF TIME WE
12 SPENT WAITING FOR A RESPONSE TO A CLAIM OF IMPROPRIETY
13 REGARDING THE R.F.P. PROCESS INVOLVING RANCHO AND FIVE OTHER
14 SITES ONLY TO FIND THAT THE COUNTY IS NOT EVEN LISTENING TO
15 ITSELF IN THIS MATTER. FOLLOWING ARE THE RELATED BACKGROUND
16 FACTS AND OTHER INFORMATION. BACKGROUND. IN THE SUMMER OF
17 2003, AN R.F.P. WAS ISSUED FOR RANCHO LOS AMIGOS. ALL BIDDERS
18 WERE INFORMED, BY DHS EMPLOYEE PAULA ROSS, THAT THE R.F.P.
19 EVALUATION PROCESS HAD CHANGED. THEY WERE INFORMED THAT THE
20 ATTENDANCE AT THE BIDDERS CONFERENCE AND SIGHT WALKTHROUGH
21 WERE MANDATORY AND THAT IT WAS ALSO MANDATORY THAT THE SIGN-IN
22 AT EACH SIGHT WALKTHROUGH WITH PAULA MORALES, IT NEEDED TO BE
23 SIGNED IN WITH PAULA MORALES TO DOCUMENT PARTICIPATION. THEY
24 WERE TOLD THAT, IF THEY DID NOT PARTICIPATE, THEIR PROPOSAL
25 WOULD BE REJECTED. THE FACTS. AS EXTRACTED FROM THE



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1 TRANSCRIPTS OF THE MAY 18TH, 2004 MEETING, THE COUNTY BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS FOR THE AGENDA ITEMS NUMBER 35. PREMIER DID NOT
3 SIGN IN NOR PARTICIPATE IN THE MANDATORY WALKTHROUGH FOR
4 RANCHO. FRED LEAF AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL ARE AWARE THAT
5 PREMIER DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE MANDATORY WALKTHROUGH NOR
6 SIGN IN FOR RANCHO BECAUSE THEY WERE OVER HALF AN HOUR LATE.
7 THE WALKTHROUGH LASTED ABOUT A HALF AN HOUR. ADDITIONAL
8 INFORMATION. COUNTY EMPLOYEES VALERIE ORANGE, GLORIA ZAMUDIO,
9 BOB SWEENEY AND PAULA MORALES ARE AWARE OF RANCHO'S FAILURE TO
10 PARTICIPATE IN THE MANDATORY WALKTHROUGH AS WELL AS THEIR
11 FAILURE TO SIGN IN. IF AN INVESTIGATION WAS CONDUCTED, HOW
12 DOES IT IGNORE THESE FACTS? THE ONLY NOTICE OF OUTCOMES FROM
13 THIS INVESTIGATION THAT I HAVE RECEIVED TO DATE IS THAT A
14 MATHEMATICAL ERROR WAS DISCOVERED AND THAT THE ENTIRE PROCESS
15 WAS GOING TO BE REEVALUATED WITH THE RESULTS AND MY COMPANY
16 BEING COMPLETELY ELIMINATED AS AN AWARDEE AND THE COMPANY THAT
17 THE CLAIM WAS BROUGHT AGAINST BEING NAMED AS THE AWARDEE OF
18 RANCHO. IF THE RULES WERE FOLLOWED, HOW ARE THESE FAILURES
19 OVERLOOKED? I ASK THAT YOU MOMENTARILY SET ASIDE OFFICIAL
20 ALLEGIANCES AND TAKE A CLEAN LOOK AT THE FACTS SURROUNDING
21 THIS MATTER. THEY SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES."

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THE
24 DEPARTMENT RESPOND. I MEAN, IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, AND I
25 REMEMBER WHEN YOU RAISED THE ISSUE, THE INVESTIGATION BY THE



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1 DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER INDICATED THAT
2 THE RECOMMENDATION WOULD NOT CHANGE, SO... MR. LEAF? ANYBODY
3 FROM AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, PUBLIC WORKS, WHOEVER EVALUATED IT.

4

5 **FRED LEAF:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
6 MISS WATKINS IS CORRECT. ON MAY 18TH, SHE CAME TO THE BOARD
7 AND FILED A COMPLAINT ABOUT THIS PROCESS. OF PARTICULAR WAS
8 HER CONCERN ABOUT THE ALLEGED NONPARTICIPATION BY ONE OF THE
9 VENDORS IN THE MANDATORY WALKTHROUGH. THE FACTS IN THIS CASE
10 INDICATE THAT THE INDIVIDUAL BEING QUESTIONED-- IN QUESTION
11 DID, IN FACT, ATTEND THE WALKTHROUGH. THEY WERE SEVERAL
12 MINUTES LATE AND WERE DETAINED AT THE DESK FOR A NUMBER OF
13 OTHER MINUTES, BUT DID EVENTUALLY JOIN THE WALKTHROUGH GROUP
14 AND TOURED THE FACILITY. OTHER VENDORS, INCLUDING
15 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, WERE ALSO-- ALSO ARRIVED AFTER THE
16 2:00 SET TIME. IN DISCUSSING THIS WITH COUNTY COUNSEL, THEY
17 INDICATED THAT THE LATENESS OF THE VENDOR IN QUESTION WAS NOT
18 MATERIAL AND WOULD NOT-- SHOULD NOT RESULT IN HIS REJECTION
19 FROM THE PROCESS. AS PART OF OUR REVIEW, WE DID DETERMINE THAT
20 THERE WAS A MATHEMATICAL ERROR IN CALCULATING THE SCORES
21 OUTSIDE OF MISS WATKINS' ALLEGATIONS. WE THEN ASSEMBLED
22 ANOTHER EVALUATION COMMITTEE, A NEW ONE, INCLUDING TWO EXPERTS
23 IN LANDSCAPING, ONE FROM PARKS AND REC, ONE FROM HARBOR, AND
24 ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE, EVALUATION COMMITTEE WAS
25 INSPECTION AND AUDIT DIVISION. THE REEVALUATION OCCURRED AND



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1 WAS REVIEWED AND MONITORED BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND THE
2 RESULTS ARE WHAT'S ON THE-- IS WHAT APPEARS ON YOUR BOARD'S
3 AGENDA TODAY. AND I'LL BE GLAD TO ANSWER ANY FURTHER
4 QUESTIONS.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** MAYBE YOU CAN EXPLAIN, WHAT WAS THE MATHEMATICAL
7 ERROR?

8

9 **FRED LEAF:** THE WEIGHTING OF ONE OF THE AREAS OF MEASUREMENT
10 WAS INCORRECTLY APPLIED, WHICH RESULTED IN AN INCORRECT
11 OUTCOME ON THE SCORE.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** WHICH ONE WAS THAT?

14

15 **FRED LEAF:** PARDON ME?

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** WHICH WEIGHT WAS THAT?

18

19 **FRED LEAF:** I DON'T HAVE THE REPORT HERE THAT WAS PRESENTED TO
20 YOUR BOARD IN JUNE BUT I CAN CERTAINLY GET THAT TO YOU, BUT IT
21 WAS ONE OF THE WEIGHTS ON THE CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING THE
22 FINAL SCORE.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** SO THE SCORES, AS WE SEE THEM TODAY, ARE DIFFERENT
25 THAN THE ONES WE HAD ORIGINALLY?



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2 **FRED LEAF:** YES.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** I HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION, TOO. HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE
5 PRESENTLY DOING THE WORK THAT'S ANTICIPATED UNDER THE
6 CONTRACT?

7

8 **FRED LEAF:** UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, I DON'T KNOW, MAYBE
9 MISS WATKINS CAN TELL US HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE THERE RIGHT NOW.

10

11 **JANINE WATKINS:** PLENTY AT RANCHO, IT'S SIX AND, TO THAT NOTE,
12 ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S BEING CONSIDERED AND ALL OF IT CAME
13 OUT OF THE INVESTIGATION, SUPPOSEDLY, OF CHECKING FOR THEM
14 BEING LATE, IS THAT I UNDERSTAND SPECIAL CONSIDERATION IS
15 GIVEN TO SMALL BUSINESSES BUT CURRENTLY I HAVE 11 EMPLOYEES
16 WORKING ON TWO DIFFERENT SITES. THEY GET LIVING WAGE. MY MEN
17 HAVE BEEN APPROACHED BY THE NEW CONTRACT THAT IS COMING IN,
18 WHICH IS OKAY WITH ME BUT THEY HAVE TO CONSIDER WHETHER OR NOT
19 THEY'RE GOING TO BE RETAINED WITH THEM FOR 6.75 OR \$8.00 AN
20 HOUR. MY MEN CAN'T LIVE OFF OF THAT.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** DID THE CONTRACT ANTICIPATE THAT IT WOULD NOT BE
23 THE LIVING WAGE IN YOUR CALCULATIONS, THAT THE WAY THAT YOU
24 CAME TO THE AMOUNT...

25



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1 **FRED LEAF:** YES, IT DID. THEY FALL UNDER AN EXEMPTION TO THE
2 LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE IN THAT THEY HAVE LESS THAN 20 FULL-TIME
3 EMPLOYEES IN THEIR ORGANIZATION.

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** SO WHAT AMOUNT WERE YOU FIGURING? YOU FIGURED FOR
6 ONE RATE OF PAY FOR SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO PROPOSED AND
7 ANOTHER RATE FOR OTHERS?

8

9 **FRED LEAF:** WELL, THE BUSINESS IN QUESTION PRESENTED A PROPOSAL
10 THAT THEY DEVELOPED BASED ON THEIR COSTS ANTICIPATED...

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THAT WAS NOT LIVING WAGE?

13

14 **FRED LEAF:** THEIR PROPOSAL WOULD INCLUDE WHATEVER SAVINGS THERE
15 WERE, IF THERE WERE ANY ON THE FACT THAT THEY DO NOT HAVE TO
16 COMPLY WITH LIVING WAGE.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, SEE, WHAT MY PROBLEM ON THIS IS THAT, IF
19 IT'S GOING TO TAKE MORE THAN 20 PEOPLE TO TAKE CARE OF THE
20 RESPONSIBILITIES, THEN, AS SOON AS THEY HIRE THE PEOPLE, THEN
21 THEIR PROPOSAL IS GOING TO BE DIFFERENT THAN IT WAS AT THE
22 TIME THAT THEY PROPOSED IT BASED UPON PAYING PEOPLE 6.75
23 RATHER THAN LIVING WAGE.

24



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1 **FRED LEAF:** THE ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES THEY INTEND TO HIRE ARE IN
2 ADDITION TO THE CURRENT EMPLOYEES, WHICH ARE 11. SO IT THROWS
3 THEM AT-- THE NEW EMPLOYEES, I BELIEVE, ARE SEVEN, WHICH SHOWS
4 THEM AT 19-- 18 OR 19 EMPLOYEES. THAT'S THE NEW NUMBER OF
5 EMPLOYEES THEY WILL HAVE IN THEIR ORGANIZATION.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** (OFF-MIKE)

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9 **FRED LEAF:** YES, THEY WOULD. IF THEY GO ABOVE THE 20, YES, THEY
10 WOULD.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** THEY WOULD, HOWEVER, SEE, WHAT HAPPENS IS THAT, IF
13 IT TAKES THEM 20 EMPLOYEES IN ORDER TO DO THE JOB, THEY WILL
14 BE GETTING A CONTRACT BASED UPON A DIFFERENT SET OF
15 CIRCUMSTANCES THAN HOW IT WAS-- WHAT IT WOULD TAKE TO PERFORM.

16

17 **FRED LEAF:** BUT THEY DON'T HAVE....

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU DON'T SAY TO ANY CONTRACTOR, HOW MANY PEOPLE
20 WILL IT TAKE YOU TO DO THE JOB. WE ALWAYS ASK THEM HOW TO DO
21 THE JOB, RIGHT?

22

23 **JANINE WATKINS:** NO, THAT'S NOT THE CASE. THE EVALUATION
24 PROCESS, PRIOR TO THIS PROCESS, HAD STATED HOW MANY PLEASE WE



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1 NEEDED TO HAVE. PAULA MORALES CHANGED THAT PROCESS, WHICH WAS
2 STATED TO US THE LAST TIME. THE...

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT HAD THAT IT HAD TO HAVE
5 SO MANY EMPLOYEES? WHO WAS THAT NUMBER?

6

7 **JANINE WATKINS:** IT WAS MANDATORY UNDER MY CONTRACT...

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** EXCUSE ME.

10

11 **JANINE WATKINS:** SIX AT RANCHO...

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** EXCUSE ME. FRED, HOW MANY EMPLOYEES DID THE
14 R.F.P. REQUIRE?

15

16 **FRED LEAF:** WELL, THE R.F.P. SPECIFIES HOW MANY EMPLOYEES WILL
17 BE ALLOCATED TO A FACILITY. IT DOESN'T SPECIFY THE TOTAL
18 NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES YOU'LL HAVE ALLOCATED TO THE TASK.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO HOW MANY EMPLOYEES WERE ALLOCATED TO THIS
21 FACILITY?

22

23 **FRED LEAF:** TO THIS FACILITY, I BELIEVE IT WAS 10 OF THEIR
24 CURRENT 18, THE ONES-- 18 EMPLOYEES IF THEY HIRED THE NEW
25 EMPLOYEES.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO HOW CAN YOU INTERPRET THAT TO BE A NUMBER OF
3 EMPLOYEES? NOW I'M ASKING YOU.

4

5 **JANINE WATKINS:** BECAUSE IT'S PHYSICAL WORK. YOU HAVE TO HAVE
6 SO MANY PEOPLE TO HANDLE THOSE CONTRACTS IN ORDER TO GET THE
7 JOB DONE. I MOW LAWNS FOR A LIVING, MY GUYS HANDLE HEAVY
8 EQUIPMENT THAT IS DANGEROUS, SO I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW YOU CAN
9 DO THE JOB FOR THREE INSTEAD OF FIVE AND YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT
10 AND I JUST PASSED DOCUMENTATION THAT SHOW YOU THAT...

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET ME-- WAIT, WAIT, WAIT. LET'S JUST DEBATE IT
13 WHERE IT IS.

14

15 **JANINE WATKINS:** OKAY.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** IF THAT IS THE QUESTION, THEN THAT'S A DIFFERENT
18 ISSUE BUT YOU CAN'T GO AROUND...

19

20 **JANINE WATKINS:** I'M SORRY. I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** ...INTERPRETING IT AFTER THE FACT AND I THINK
23 THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE RAISING ABOUT. NOW, IF THE ISSUE IS...

24

25 **JANINE WATKINS:** THAT IS...



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** ...THAT THEY'RE GOING TO COME IN LATER AND-- THAT
3 THEY WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE LIVING WAGE ORDER.

4

5 **JANINE WATKINS:** THAT'S NOT WHAT...

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT WE'RE SETTING UP IS THAT A PERSON WHO WANTS
8 TO BID CAN PUT THEMSELVES IN A POSITION OF THE EXEMPTION AND
9 THEY CAN DO THAT BY SIMPLY SAYING, WE'RE GOING TO USE LESS
10 PEOPLE. AND THAT'S WHY MY QUESTION WAS HOW MANY PEOPLE HAD
11 BEEN USED PREVIOUSLY, BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO SET UP A
12 SITUATION WHERE WE GRANT A CONTRACT BASED ON SOMEONE CUTTING
13 BACK THE NUMBERS FOR IT.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT WE WENT THROUGH THIS, I REMEMBER, ABOUT THREE
16 MONTHS AGO WHEN THIS ISSUE WAS RAISED AND I THINK ALL OF THE
17 ISSUES NEED...

18

19 **JANINE WATKINS:** [INDISTINCT]

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S NOT THE FIRST TIME THIS HAS BEEN BEFORE US.

22

23 **JANINE WATKINS:** NO, WE ADDRESSED...

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** IT'S BEEN BEFORE US ON THE...



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2 **JANINE WATKINS:** ...IT BEFORE.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** ...NOTICE, ON THE SIGN-IN ON THE TOUR ISSUE.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE ISSUE IS, IS THAT WE NEED TO RAISE IT ALL AT
7 ONE TIME AND YOU CAN'T BE, YOU KNOW-- IS THIS SOMETHING THAT
8 WAS ANALYZED AT THE BEGINNING, FRED?

9

10 **FRED LEAF:** WELL, WHEN YOU SAY-- SUPERVISOR, WHEN YOU SAY
11 "RAISED," WHAT DO YOU MEAN EXACTLY?

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL, MY ISSUE, ISN'T THIS THE SECOND TIME THAT
14 THIS CONTRACT HAS COME BEFORE US?

15

16 **FRED LEAF:** YES, IT IS.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. THE FIRST TIME I WAS CONCERNED THAT--
19 BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, THERE WERE ISSUES THAT WERE RAISED THAT
20 CLAIM HE'D NOT RESPONDED TO AND ONE OF THE THINGS WE SAID IS
21 GO BACK, STRAIGHTEN THIS THING OUT BECAUSE WE NEEDED TO HAVE
22 ALL OF THOSE ISSUES CLARIFIED. HAS THIS ISSUE BEEN RAISED
23 BEFORE?

24



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1 **FRED LEAF:** THIS ISSUE HAS NOT BEEN RAISED. THIS IS THE FIRST
2 TIME THIS HAS BEEN RAISED.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO YOU CAN'T COME IN WITH NEW STUFF ALL THE TIME,
5 IS WHAT I'M SAYING AND THEN WE'RE NEVER GOING TO GET THIS
6 CONTRACT-- NOT THAT IT'S INVALID BUT, AT ONE POINT IN TIME...

7

8 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, ALSO, THE NUMBERS WERE CALCULATED
9 DIFFERENTLY THIS TIME.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. THEN I'M GOING TO RECOMMEND THAT THIS
12 GO BACK AND SOMEHOW, SOMEBODY HAS TO SIT DOWN AND ANALYZE ALL
13 THE QUESTIONS BECAUSE WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO BE-- UNLESS THEY'RE
14 INVALID CONCERNS.

15

16 **FRED LEAF:** THEY ARE INVALID CONCERNS, SUPERVISOR.

17

18 **JANINE WATKINS:** CAN I SPEAK?

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** NOT YET.

21

22 **JANINE WATKINS:** OKAY.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I MEAN, DO YOU SEE THEM AS INVALID CONCERNS?

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I TOLD YOU WHAT MY CONCERN WAS BUT I ALSO--
2 ORDINARILY, YOU HAVE THE SAIL CALCULATION OF NUMBERS EVERY
3 TIME THEY COME BEFORE US. I DON'T RECALL BEFORE ANYONE COMING
4 BACK AND SAYING, "WE MADE A MISTAKE THE FIRST TIME, SO WE'VE
5 NOW RECALCULATED THE NUMBERS AND WE'RE PRESENTING YOU A
6 DIFFERENT SET OF NUMBERS."

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT, YVONNE, THE ISSUE THAT I'M RAISING WITH YOU
9 IS LIKE ANYTHING ELSE. IF WE ASKED A CONSULTANT TO COME IN AND
10 GIVE US A REPORT-- ANALYZE OUR BUDGET, SOMEBODY CAN COME IN
11 AND SAY, "I'M GOING TO ANALYZE YOUR BUDGET WITH 13 PEOPLE AND
12 44 COMPUTERS AND SO MUCH OFFICE SPACE." I DON'T THINK WE
13 NECESSARILY BREAK IT DOWN THAT IT HAS TO HAVE SO MANY PEOPLE
14 AND I THINK THAT'S THE ISSUE THAT'S BEING RAISED. I'VE NEVER
15 SEEN THE CONTRACTS THAT WAY AND SO THAT'S MY CONCERN. IF
16 THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE SAYING. NOW, IF WE'RE CREATING AN UNFAIR
17 ADVANTAGE IN THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE A CHANGE LATER ON, WHICH
18 HAS A LOT OF VALIDITY TO IT, THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO KNOW. SO I
19 JUST WANT TO KNOW, WHAT IS IT THAT WE STATED? NOW, SHE COULD
20 HAVE A DIFFERENT INTERPRETATION ALL DAY LONG. I'M GOING TO
21 HAVE 17 PEOPLE DO A JOB THAT THREE PEOPLE COULD DO. THAT'S HER
22 RIGHT BUT IF IT'S-- IF IT'S A LOSS LEADER, IN OTHER WORDS,
23 YOUR PUTTING ONE UP AND THEN, LATER ON, THEY CAN SWITCH AND
24 SHE GETS AN UNFAIR ADVANTAGE, THEN I'M CONCERNED. AND THAT'S
25 WHAT I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THAT'S MY CONCERN IS THAT-- AND ARE WE OPENING
3 IT UP FOR THIS TO BE UTILIZED...

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK THAT'S WHAT FRED HAS TO EXPLAIN, NOT SO
6 MUCH THE PROPOSER.

7

8 **FRED LEAF:** CURRENTLY, IN EACH-- IF THIS ORGANIZATION--
9 REMEMBER, IT'S THE TOTAL EMPLOYEES EMPLOYED BY AN
10 ORGANIZATION, NOT JUST THOSE ALLOCATED TO OUR CONTRACT. SO ANY
11 TIME THE CURRENT SELECTED VENDOR WERE TO RAISE THEIR NUMBER OF
12 EMPLOYEES TO MORE THAN 20, THEY WOULD THEN HAVE TO COMPLY WITH
13 LIVING WAGE. CURRENTLY, THEIR ORGANIZATION WAS STAFFED BY 11
14 EMPLOYEES. THEY ARE INCREASING THAT NUMBER BY SEVEN TO HANDLE
15 THIS ADDITIONAL CONTRACT LOAD. THAT'S IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
16 LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE AND, AS FAR AS WHAT THEY MAY OR MAY NOT
17 DO AT SOME TIME IN THE FUTURE, I MEAN, WE WOULDN'T KNOW THAT,
18 BUT...

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN THOSE AREN'T-- THAT IS FAIR.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO HAVE SOME ASSURANCES
23 THAT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT THEY ARE PUTTING IN TO SAY THAT
24 THEY ARE GOING TO USE IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THE CONTRACT IS
25 VALID AND IF THEY WILL BE ABLE TO PERFORM THE CONTRACT AND



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1 THAT'S WHY I ASK THE QUESTION, HOW MANY PEOPLE WERE WORKING ON
2 THIS BEFORE?

3

4 **FRED LEAF:** THAT-- WELL, WE HAVE, LIKE, FOR INSTANCE, AT KING,
5 I BELIEVE ENVIRONMENTAL HAS-- CURRENTLY HAS FOUR LABORERS, ONE
6 SUPERVISOR AND ONE-- WHICH I CAN'T READ HERE-- FOUR, I MEAN. I
7 CAN'T READ THE WRITING. BUT THE VENDOR THAT'S PROPOSING HERE
8 IS GOING TO HAVE SLIGHTLY MORE THAN THAT. SO, I MEAN, THE
9 ISSUE WAS REVIEWED. THE EVALUATORS, WHO WERE TWO EXPERTS IN
10 LANDSCAPING, REVIEWED SPECIFICALLY AS ONE OF THE CRITERIA FOR
11 RATING THIS, THE STAFFING AND WHETHER THEY COULD HANDLE THE
12 JOB. THESE TWO EXPERTS, ONE FROM PARKS, ONE FROM HARBOR, MADE
13 A DETERMINATION THAT THE STAFFING INDICATED IN THIS VENDOR'S
14 PROPOSAL DID ADEQUATELY ADDRESS THE ISSUE AND IT ALSO COSTS
15 LESS MONEY.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** AND WHAT WERE THE NUMBERS THAT THEY CHANGED SO
18 THAT WE COULD TELL, WHAT THEY CHANGED FROM WHAT WE HAD BEFORE?

19

20 **JANINE WATKINS:** IT'S RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU HERE. I PASSED IT
21 TO THE BOARD. YOU'VE GOT THE MAY 18TH PROPOSAL AND YOU'VE GOT
22 TODAY'S PROPOSAL THAT SHOW YOU THOSE NUMBERS. AND IF YOU'RE
23 TALKING ABOUT INCREASING IT TO SEVEN, YOU'VE AWARDED THEM TWO
24 MAJOR CONTRACTS AND TWO SMALLER CONTRACTS AND SIMPLE



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1 DEDUCTION, THERE'S NO WAY TO DO IT WITH SEVEN ADDITIONAL
2 EMPLOYEES UNLESS YOU'RE THEIR ONLY ACCOUNT.

3

4 **FRED LEAF:** WE HAVE TO RELY ON THE EXPERTS THAT WERE-- WHO
5 PARTICIPATED ON THE PANEL.

6

7 **JANINE WATKINS:** THERE IT IS RIGHT THERE. I'M AN EXPERT, TOO,
8 I'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR 20 YEARS, RAISING KIDS AND COMING TO
9 THE COUNTY BOARD. THE PROBLEM HERE IS THAT, WHEN I COME BEFORE
10 YOU, IT GETS ALL MIXED UP. THE MAJOR ISSUE IS THAT THERE'S
11 BEEN A BREACH IN REGARDS TO MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS AND THEN,
12 IN SUPPOSEDLY INVESTIGATING THAT BREACH, YOU UNCOVERED,
13 UNCOVERED MISCALCULATIONS BY YOUR EXPERTS, WHICH TAINTS THE
14 PROCESS, WHICH LEADS YOU, YVONNE, TO YOUR QUESTION AND THAT,
15 TO ME, WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT LITTLE STUFF IS TAINTED...

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I WANT HIM TO ANSWER. WHAT WAS THE CHANGE
18 YOU MADE IN THE CALCULATION SO I CAN LOOK AT IT AND SEE WHAT
19 IT WAS? IT'S A DOLLAR CHANGE, RIGHT?

20

21 **FRED LEAF:** PARDON ME?

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** WAS IT A DOLLAR CHANGE OR WAS IT A NUMBER CHANGE?

24



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1 **FRED LEAF:** NO, IT'S THE POINTS, THE WAY THE WEIGHTS WERE BEING
2 APPLIED TO THE CRITERIA BEING MEASURED.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THE WEIGHT WAS FOR WHAT?

5

6 **FRED LEAF:** I DON'T HAVE IT HERE WITH ME IN FRONT OF ME.

7

8 **JANINE WATKINS:** THE DOCUMENT IS RIGHT THERE.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I THINK THAT HE NEEDS TO HAVE IT. IF THERE'S
11 NO OBJECTION, I'D LIKE TO CONTINUE IT OVER TO NEXT WEEK AND
12 LET HIM JUST BRING US EXACTLY WHAT THEY'RE CHANGING.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, WELL...

15

16 **FRED LEAF:** I HAVE TO QUESTION. WHEN THIS EXPIRES?

17

18 **JANINE WATKINS:** WELL, UNFORTUNATELY, THE COUNTY WAITS UNTIL
19 THE LAST MINUTE. IT EXPIRES ON SATURDAY, JUST LIKE THEY DID
20 BEFORE WHEN I CAME BEFORE YOU ON MAY 18TH.

21

22 **SUP. BURKE:** SO, LET ME SAY IT, WE'LL JUST GIVE IT 30 DAYS,
23 YOU'LL COME BACK, HAVE IT FOR 30 DAYS, YOU'LL COME BACK AND
24 GET IT ALL STRAIGHT.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, BUT WE-- I MEAN, WE'VE CHECKED THIS
2 OUT BEFORE. YOU HAVE AN AUDITOR-CONTROLLER REPORT, YOU HAVE A
3 PUBLIC WORKS SAYING THAT THERE WAS NO...

4

5 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT THEY'RE SAYING THAT THE AUDITOR'S-- BUT HE'S
6 SAYING THAT THERE ARE DIFFERENT NUMBERS NOW.

7

8 **FRED LEAF:** WELL, THE AUDITOR-- NO, THAT WAS...

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NO, I MEAN, THEY SAID THAT BUT THEY SAID
11 THAT-- OKAY.

12

13 **FRED LEAF:** THAT WAS THE BASIS OF OUR REEVALUATION. THAT WAS
14 THE BASIS OF IT, WHICH WE NOTIFIED YOUR BOARD IN JUNE ON.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EXACTLY.

17

18 **FRED LEAF:** THAT'S WHY WE DID THIS REEVALUATION.

19

20 **JANINE WATKINS:** THAT'S WHAT YOU UNCOVERED AFTER THE FACT OF MY
21 SAYING TO YOU THAT THIS HAS BEEN TAINTED AND THAT THE
22 MANDATORY WALKTHROUGH, THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS WERE NOT
23 ADHERED.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, THEY RESPONDED TO YOUR CONCERN...



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2 **JANINE WATKINS:** NO, IT WAS NOT RESPONDED TO. I NEVER RECEIVED
3 A LETTER IN THE MAIL SAYING TO ME...

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I MEAN, I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THAT. I'M
6 TALKING ABOUT AT LEAST WHEN YOU CAME HERE, THE AUDITOR-
7 CONTROLLER AND I THINK PUBLIC WORKS CONDUCTED THE
8 INVESTIGATION.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT AND THEN THEY CHANGED THE NUMBERS AS I
11 GATHER. THE WEIGHTING WAS INCORRECT.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT. AND THEY INDICATED THAT, YOU KNOW,
14 THE AWARD. NOW WE HAVE-- SO YOU WANT TO CONTINUE IT A WEEK?

15

16 **FRED LEAF:** BUT COUNSEL MIGHT HAVE TO SPEAK OF THIS BECAUSE, IF
17 IT EXPIRES ON THURSDAY, I'M NOT SURE WE CAN...

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, CAN WE CONTINUE-- CAN WE EXTEND IT FOR
20 ANOTHER 10 DAYS OR SOMETHING?

21

22 **JANINE WATKINS:** THAT'S CONVENIENT.

23

24 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** YOU COULD EXTEND THE CONTRACT WITH THE
25 ACCEPTANCE OF THE CURRENT CONTRACTOR, YES.



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I WOULD SUGGEST THAT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, I MEAN, I DON'T-- OKAY. COUNSEL,
5 WHAT-- WE CAN CONTINUE IT FOR WHAT?

6

7 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** YOU CONTINUE IT FOR A WEEK OR FOR 30
8 DAYS, WHATEVER WOULD GIVE THE TIME TO GET BACK. BUT, AS I
9 UNDERSTAND THE CONTRACT, SUPERVISOR BURKE IS CORRECT THAT, IF
10 THE PROPOSED VENDOR, THE CONTRACTOR WERE TO HIRE ADDITIONAL
11 EMPLOYEES AND BECOME SUBJECT TO LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE, IT
12 WOULD HAVE TO PAY ALL OF ITS EMPLOYEES THE LIVING WAGE BUT
13 THAT WOULD NOT CHANGE THE COMPENSATION TO THE CONTRACTOR UNDER
14 THIS CONTRACT. SO, IN ESSENCE, IT WOULD DRIVE THE CONTRACTOR'S
15 PROFIT DOWN IF THEY WERE ENGAGING IN THAT KIND OF A PRACTICE.
16 BUT I THINK SUPERVISOR BURKE'S SPECIFIC POINT IS THAT THEY'RE
17 TRYING TO GET-- THAT A CONTRACTOR COULD GET IN BY HAVING A
18 LOWER BID BY HAVING LESS THAN 20 EMPLOYEES AND THEREFORE NOT
19 PAYING THE LIVING WAGE. BUT IF, THEREAFTER, THEN THEY RAISE
20 THEIR NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES, IT WOULD BECOME SUBJECT TO LIVING
21 WAGE AND THEIR PROFIT MARGIN WOULD BE REDUCED BY THAT. THE
22 ISSUE OF THE CHANGE IN THE NUMBERS IS AS A RESULT OF A
23 RECALCULATION THAT WAS DONE. THEY'RE DIFFERENT NUMBERS BECAUSE
24 THE FIRST SCORING PROCESS WAS MATHEMATICALLY DONE INCORRECTLY
25 AND, WHEN IT WAS DONE CORRECTLY, IT DID RESULT IN A SECOND SET



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1 OF NUMBERS AND THOSE ARE THE NUMBERS THAT ARE BEFORE YOU
2 TODAY.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT. I MEAN, THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED DURING
5 THE INVESTIGATION, THE RECALCULATION AND THAT'S WHAT'S BEFORE
6 US TODAY, IS THE RECOMMENDATION.

7

8 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** THAT'S CORRECT AND WE HAD, I BELIEVE,
9 ADVISED, EARLIER ON, THAT THE ISSUE OF THE MANDATORY
10 WALKTHROUGH AND THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE PROPOSED CONTRACTOR
11 TODAY PARTICIPATED IN THAT WAS NOT MATERIAL THAT WOULD REQUIRE
12 THEIR BID TO BE THROWN OUT, SO THAT IS WHY THEY ARE STILL IN
13 PLAY.

14

15 **FRED LEAF:** AND THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER REVIEWED THE
16 RECALCULATION AS WELL AS THE MEASURE-- THE EVALUATORS
17 PERFORMANCE DURING THEIR EVALUATION AND CONCURS WITH THIS
18 FINDING.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE HAVE...

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES?

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET ME ASK-- YOU KNOW, I WANT US TO BE FAIR ON
2 THIS WHOLE THING AND I THINK WE DID THE LAST TIME IN RE-
3 REVIEWING THIS BUT THERE'S A POINT WHERE THE FAIRNESS IS
4 HURTING SOMEONE ELSE AND THE POINT IS THAT WE CREATE A PROCESS
5 AND WE CREATE AN EVALUATION-- THERE'S ALWAYS GOING TO BE
6 PEOPLE WHO DON'T GET THE CONTRACT THAT ARE GOING TO THINK THE
7 PROCESS IS UNFAIR, BUT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE PROPOSING AS WELL
8 ARE BEING, IN A SENSE, VICTIMIZED BECAUSE THEY WENT THROUGH
9 THE PROCESS AND IT'S HONORED AND I'M CONCERNED THAT A
10 CONTINUATION OF THIS IS UNFAIR TO WHOEVER WON THE CONTRACT.
11 OH, IS THAT YOU, SIR? OH, OKAY. SO WE HAVE A DUTY TO MAINTAIN
12 THE INTEGRITY OF OUR PROCESS. AND THE LAST TIME SHE CAME HERE,
13 I WAS VERY CONCERNED THAT WE HAD NOT RESPONDED TO ALL OF OUR
14 ISSUES BUT IT CAN'T BE AN ONGOING THING. I JUST THINK THAT,
15 YOU KNOW, IF, IN FACT-- WHETHER SHE CHOOSES TO BELIEVE THAT
16 THREE PEOPLE OR SIX PEOPLE SHOULD DO THE WORK, THAT'S NOT THE
17 ISSUE. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING IT'S A CONTRACT FOR A SET PRICE
18 TO DO THE WORK AND SO THAT SHOULD NOT CHANGE.

19

20 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, I THINK THAT, IN SOME OF THESE CONTRACTS,
21 WHAT WE HAVE SAID WHERE WE CHANGE THE CONTRACTOR, THAT THE
22 PEOPLE WHO ARE PRESENTLY DOING THE WORK THAT WE HAVE
23 REQUESTED, THAT THEY BE GIVEN A CHANCE TO APPLY FOR THE NEW
24 CONTRACT, AT LEAST WE'VE ESTABLISHED THAT PRECEDENT IN SOME
25 THAT I RECALL. NOW, IN THIS CASE, IF THOSE PEOPLE APPLY, THEY



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1 WILL THEN BE GOING TO A PERSON WHO IS PAYING LESS THAN THEY
2 WERE MAKING BEFORE BECAUSE THEY HAVE-- THE REPRESENTATION HAS
3 BEEN MADE HERE THAT THEY'RE EXEMPT SO THEY WILL NOT BE PAYING
4 LIVING WAGE.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT IT IS-- BUT IT IS BECAUSE, UNDER OUR LIVING
7 WAGE ORDINANCE, WE EXEMPTED THE SMALLER FIRMS WITH THE IDEA
8 THAT IT WAS GOING TO BE A DIFFERENT SITUATION. SO IF YOU WANT
9 TO CHANGE THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE, THAT'S A DIFFERENT ISSUE
10 BUT YOU CAN'T DO IT ON AN ITEM-BY-ITEM BASIS. THAT'S TRUE OF
11 ANY POTENTIAL CONTRACT. IT'S JUST THAT WHAT DO WE REPRESENT...

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** BUT WE CAN'T USE-- YOU CAN'T USE THE LIVING WAGE
14 ORDINANCE AND THE TERMS OF IT TO BRING YOURSELF RIGHT UNDER IT
15 IN ORDER TO GET A CONTRACT AND TO...

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** THERE'S ALWAYS A LINE, YVONNE. THERE'S ALWAYS A
18 LINE.

19

20 **JANINE WATSON:** BUT WHEN DOES THE LINE APPLY? YOUR PROCESS WAS
21 TAINTED FROM THE BEGINNING. WHEN YOU REEVALUATED, IT WAS
22 TAINTED AGAIN AND THE RULES ONLY APPLY TO THOSE YOU WANT THEM
23 TO APPLY TO.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME, YOU CLAIM IT'S TAINTED...



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2 **JANINE WATKINS:** NO, IT'S TAINTED. IT'S TAINTED.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YOU CLAIM IT'S TAINTED. WE HAVE AN AUDITOR-
5 CONTROLLERS' REPORT.

6

7 **JANINE WATKINS:** IT SAYS IN THIS BOOK HERE IT'S MANDATORY THAT
8 YOU YOU SHOW UP AND SIGN UP. I WAS PHYSICALLY THERE WITH MY
9 FOREMAN. HE DIDN'T. YOUR COUNSEL IS COVERING AT THIS POINT AND
10 THEN, WHEN THEY GO IN TO LOOK AT IT, THEY SHOW, OOPS, WE
11 MESSED UP. OUR NUMBERS ARE WRONG. THOSE DOCUMENTS HAD GONE ALL
12 THROUGH THE COUNTY TO BE EVALUATED. THEY COME BACK, YOU
13 REASSEMBLE THEM, YOU SAY, OUR MATH IS OFF, LET'S REFIGURE
14 THIS. YOU SAY, OH, YEAH. IT'S A MISTAKE. THIS PROCESS HAS BEEN
15 TAINTED. YOU'VE GOT BIGGER ISSUES THAN THIS LITTLE PROCESS BUT
16 IF, AT THE CORE OF THE PEOPLE WHO WORK FOR YOU, THEY CORRUPT
17 THE PROCESS, THEN IT'S CORRUPTED, AND IT'S BEEN CORRUPTED MORE
18 THAN ONCE.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MR. MAO FROM-- TONY-- IS IT MAO OR MOON?
21 MOON? OKAY. YOU SIGNED UP TO SPEAK. AND TIM WATKINS SIGNED UP
22 TO SPEAK.

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO SPEAK.

25



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1 **TONY MOON:** MY NAME IS-- MY NAME IS TONY MOON. I'M REPRESENTING
2 FAR EAST LANDSCAPE AND MAINTENANCE COMPANY. YES, MY COMPANY
3 IS-- FALL UNDER LIVING WAGE EXEMPT BECAUSE MY EMPLOYEES ARE
4 UNDER 20. WE ARE A KIND OF A LITTLE BIT CONFUSED HERE. PVMS, A
5 INCORPORATED COMPANY, THEY ARE THE ONE WHO GOT AWARD ON THAT
6 RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER. AND I AM, AS
7 FAR AS LANDSCAPING AND MAINTENANCE, GOT REWARDED ON MARTIN
8 LUTHER KING DREW HOSPITAL AND OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL HOSPITAL. SO
9 THERE'S TWO DIFFERENT CONTRACTORS HERE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.
10 SO, EVEN THOUGH I AM HIRING NEW EMPLOYEES, STILL, THEY FALL
11 UNDER 20 NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES. AND IF ANY EMPLOYEE IS WORKING
12 UNDER \$9 AN HOUR-- WAS IT 9.36 AN HOUR FOR LIVING WAGE? 9.46.
13 IF THEY CHOOSE TO WORK UNDER THAT, THEN IT'S THEIR CHOICE. I
14 MEAN, I'M NOT, YOU KNOW, MAKE THEM TO...

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. COULD WE HAVE THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
17 RESPOND, PLEASE? WE GOT TOO MUCH HE SAID/SHE SAID GOING ON
18 HERE. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, TONY. MR. WATKINS,
19 YOU CAN STAY.

20

21 **TYLER J. MCCAULEY:** TYLER MCCAULEY, COUNTY AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.
22 WE DID REVIEW THIS, AS YOU REQUESTED US TO DO. THE ERRORS THAT
23 WERE MADE WERE MATHEMATICAL. WE DID NOT-- THE CATEGORIES
24 DIDN'T CHANGE. THEY WERE JUST STRAIGHT MATH ERRORS. WE
25 OBSERVED THE SECOND SCORING SO THAT WE CAN ATTEST TO THE FACT



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1 THAT IT WAS CORRECTLY SCORED. THE ISSUE OF THE NUMBER OF
2 STAFF, WE DIDN'T CHALLENGE BECAUSE IT HAD BEEN DETERMINED.
3 AND, IN MOST OF THESE CONTRACTS, AS HAS BEEN NOTED ALREADY, WE
4 DON'T TELL THEM HOW MANY, WE JUST TELL THEM THEY HAVE TO
5 PERFORM THESE CERTAIN PROCEDURES. IF THERE'S TOO FEW PEOPLE IN
6 THIS CONTRACT, THEN-- TO DO THE JOB, THEN THAT SHOULD COME OUT
7 IN TERMS OF THE QUALITY OF SERVICE AND, AT THAT POINT, THEY
8 WOULD HAVE TO BE TERMINATED FOR QUALITY OF SERVICE. SO THOSE
9 ARE JUST MY COMMENTS.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** SO THE GENTLEMAN HERE IS NOT, THOUGH, THE PERSON
14 THAT'S INVOLVED IN TERMS OF THE RANCHO CONTRACT?

15

16 **TONY MOON:** NO. JUST KING DREW HOSPITAL AND OLIVE VIEW.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** AND YOURS HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ISSUE AS FAR
19 AS WITH THE TOUR OR ANYTHING ELSE?

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NO. OKAY. MR. WATKINS.

22

23 **TIM WATKINS:** I JUST WANTED TO COMMENT TO THE CORE ISSUE THAT
24 BROUGHT THIS COMPANY BEFORE YOU ON MAY 18TH AND AS WELL AGAIN
25 TODAY, THAT WE HAVE ALL BENT OVER BACKWARDS TRYING TO FIGURE



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1 OUT WHY THE BASIC RULES ARE BEING COMPROMISED HERE, THAT THERE
2 ARE WAIVERS OR EXCEPTIONS BEING MADE TO A VERY CLEAR PROCESS
3 AND THAT WE HAVE NEVER BEEN BEFORE YOU IN HISTORY TO CONTEST
4 THE AWARD OF CONTRACTS, PARTICULARLY WHEN WE HAVE FAILED TO
5 MEET THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OR HAVE BEEN EXCLUDED FOR
6 TECHNICAL REASONS. AND IT HAS, IN SOME CASES, COST US MILLIONS
7 OF DOLLARS IN POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES. SO THE QUESTION IS,
8 WHY, IN THIS CASE, SHOULD WE STAND BACK FOR TECHNICAL REASONS
9 THAT MAY WELL COST US AN OPPORTUNITY? AND I THINK THAT IT GOES
10 BACK TO NOT OUR CONTENTION BUT I THINK THAT THE TRANSCRIPT
11 SHOWS THAT MR. LEAF SAID, ON MAY 18TH, THAT, ACCORDING TO
12 STAFF, THE COMPETITOR GOT THERE AT ROUGH-- SOMETIME AROUND
13 2:00. HE DIDN'T GET INTO WHERE THE WALKTHROUGH WAS HAPPENING
14 UNTIL A HALF HOUR LATER, WHICH WAS AT THE END OF THAT
15 WALKTHROUGH. HE DID NOT SIGN IN. THE COMPETITOR, MR. MACIAS,
16 SAID HE DID NOT SIGN IN AND HE DID NOT, IN FACT, PARTICIPATE
17 IN THAT WALKTHROUGH. HE GOT THERE AT THE END. SO, NO MATTER
18 WHO ANYBODY SAYS AFTER THE FACT, THOSE WERE THE OPENING
19 STATEMENTS ON THIS MATTER AS OF MAY 18TH. IT WAS OUR
20 CONTENTION THAT HE WAS LATE, SO LATE THAT HE COULDN'T SIGN IN
21 WITH THE SEVEN OR EIGHT OTHER CONTRACTORS THAT SHOWED UP AND
22 THAT HE WAS SO LATE THAT HE APPEARED AT THE BUILDING AT THE
23 END OF THE WALKTHROUGH. SO SOMEBODY IS HAVING TO MAKE AN
24 EXCEPTION TO DETERMINE THAT THE MINIMUM MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS
25 SHOULD BE WAIVED AND THAT THIS GENTLEMAN'S FIRM SHOULD BE



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1 AWARDED A CONTRACT DESPITE THE FACT THAT HE FAILED TO MEET
2 THOSE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ANY OTHER COMMENTS, MR. MCCAULEY?

5

6 **TYLER J. MCCAULEY:** NO.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM'S BEFORE US. THE ITEM
9 IS BEFORE US THEN. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** YEAH. I HAD-- HE'S EXPLAINING TO ME HOW THEY
12 CHANGED PEOPLE AS A RESULT OF THE RECALCULATION FROM THE LAST
13 TIME. THAT'S WHY I HAD ASKED ORIGINALLY FOR ANOTHER WEEK, TO
14 TRY AND UNDERSTAND IT.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND THAT'S CLEAR TO YOU, THEN? OKAY.
17 IT'S BEEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND.
18 YOU WANT A ROLL CALL? OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
19 THANK YOU. I THINK, YOU KNOW, I WOULD JUST ASK THE DEPARTMENT,
20 I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY, THESE KINDS OF ISSUES, YOU KNOW, WE NEED
21 TO, YOU KNOW, FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH THE RESPONSE, BUT IT
22 SHOULDN'T GET TO THE POINT WHERE WE HAVE TO CALL IN THE
23 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO DO A R.F.P. FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE,
24 FOR CRYING OUT LOUD, SO-- OKAY. ALL RIGHT. I BELIEVE, BEFORE
25 WE-- DOES THAT TAKE CARE OF THE REGULAR AGENDA? SO WE'VE--



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1 WE'VE ALSO GOT THE BUDGET AND EVERYTHING, TOO, PLUS PUBLIC
2 COMMENT, HUH? WHICH IS S-1, THAT BUDGET, HEALTH COMMITTEE. ARE
3 WE GOING TO PROCEED WITH THAT TODAY IN LIGHT OF THE BUDGET?

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, WE CAN SIMPLY DO IT AS PART OF THE
6 BUDGET, MR. SUPERVISOR. THERE'S VERY LITTLE CHANGE FROM THE
7 LAST FORECAST AND I THINK THEY'RE ABOUT 20 MILLION DOLLARS IS
8 THE ONLY CHANGE FROM THE FORECAST ON THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.
9 THEY'RE HERE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AND MAYBE WE CAN DO
10 THAT AS PART OF THE BUDGET DISCUSSION.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. IF I COULD HAVE MY COLLEAGUES-- IF
13 IT'S ALL RIGHT, THEN I WOULD MOVE THAT WE TAKE UP THE BUDGET
14 MATTERS, ITEMS 35 THROUGH 46.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ARE WE DONE WITH ALL THE PUBLIC HEARING
17 ITEMS?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES, WE ARE AND TIE IN S-1 TO THESE
20 PARTICULAR ITEMS. FOR WHAT? OKAY. GENEVIEVE, DO YOU WANT TO
21 COME FORWARD AND ADDRESS ITEM 36 AND 51. S-1, EXCUSE ME.

22

23 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. JE
24 SUIS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WAS HOPING TO BE ABLE TO LISTEN TO
25 THE PRESENTATION FROM DR. GARTHWAITE ON S-1 BEFORE I HAD TO



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1 SPEAK. I WOULD HAVE LIKED VERY MUCH TO SEE WHAT HE HAD TO SAY.
2 AND IT WAS, YOU KNOW, A SET ITEM FOR 11:00. BUT, ON ITEM 36, I
3 HAVE A QUESTION ON ATTACHMENT 3-B. WE HAVING THE SOURCE FOR
4 MEASURE B MONEY. WE GOT TWO MILLION SOMETHING MORE FROM
5 U.C.L.A., HARBOR-U.C.L.A., THREE MILLION FROM KING DREW AND 13
6 MILLION FROM OLIVE VIEW. THAT A SOURCE. GOING TO L.A.C./U.S.C.
7 MEDICAL CENTER. SO WE HAVE 18,602,000 DOLLARS. WE'RE GOING
8 FROM HARBOR UCLA KING DREW, OLIVE VIEW AND IT'S BEING
9 TRANSFERRED, ACCORDING TO WHAT I'M SEEING, TO U.S.C.,
10 \$18,602,000. SO EXPLAIN, YOU KNOW, WHY ARE WE TRANSFERRING
11 THAT MONEY FROM THOSE THREE FACILITIES...?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I'LL HAVE STAFF RESPOND. MR. JANSSEN?

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I'M GOING TO-- I THINK GARY IS HERE. I'M GOING
16 TO ASK HIM-- I'M LOOKING AT THE PAGE.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GARY HERE?

19

20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** GARY OR EFFREM OR SOMEBODY FROM THE HEALTH
21 DEPARTMENT.

22

23 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THAT'S WHY I WOULD HAVE LIKED THE
24 PRESENTATION. I THINK IT MIGHT HAVE...

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** WELL, HE WOULDN'T HAVE COVERED THAT, NOT THE
2 DETAIL.

3

4 **GARY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THE ITEM THAT'S
5 BEING REFERRED TO IS IN THE CLOSING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR
6 FISCAL YEAR '03/'04. IN DISTRIBUTING MEASURE B FUNDS, WHAT WE
7 HAVE TRIED TO DO IS DISTRIBUTE THOSE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT ON
8 A PRO RATA BASIS BASED ON THEIR UN-REIMBURSED COSTS FOR TRAUMA
9 AND EMERGENCY CARE. AND WE BUDGETED IT ONE WAY AT THE
10 BEGINNING OF THE YEAR AND, AS USUALLY HAPPENS, ACTUAL
11 OPERATIONS CHANGE FROM THE BUDGET AND SO WHAT THIS ENTRY
12 MERELY DOES IS REDISTRIBUTE THE MEASURE B FUNDS BASED ON THE
13 ACTUAL AS OPPOSED TO BUDGETED, THE ACTUAL UN-REIMBURSED COSTS
14 FOR TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY IN OUR FACILITIES.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

17

18 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THAT SEEMS TO BE A HUGE AMOUNT, YOU KNOW,
19 18 MILLION. AND ALSO I HAD A QUESTION ON ATTACHMENT 4.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** PARDON ME?

22

23 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ATTACHMENT 4.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE HER RESPONDING TO HIM.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NO, NO. SHE'S ASKED-- THAT WAS-- HE
3 RESPONDED TO HER QUESTION. OKAY. THANK YOU, GARY.

4

5 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ON EXTRAORDINARY FUNDING VARIANCE, YOU
6 HAVE SBRC, MINUS 35 MILLION AND IS THE DEFICIT PRIMARILY DUE
7 TO LATEST AUDIT RESULT AND REVISED OUTPATIENT VISITS? HOW MUCH
8 WERE-- YOU KNOW, HOW COME YOU ARE SO OFF THE MARK IN REVISED
9 OUTPATIENT VISITS TO BE SHORT 35 MILLION?

10

11 **GARY:** YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE CBRC ENTRY?

12

13 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** CBRC ENTRY, 35 MILLION.

14

15 **GARY:** RIGHT. WELL, IF YOU LOOK FOOTNOTE F...

16

17 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I READ THE FOOTNOTE. THAT'S WHAT I'M
18 ASKING.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. LET HIM RESPOND, PLEASE, GENEVIEVE.

21

22 **GARY:** OKAY. WHAT FOOTNOTE F SAYS IS DEFICIT PRIMARILY DUE TO
23 LATEST AUDIT RESULTS AND REVISED OUTPATIENT VISITS. CBRC IS A
24 RELATIVELY NEW PROGRAM THAT WAS GRANTED TO US UNDER OUR
25 WAIVER. IT IS A COST-BASED REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM WHICH CAUSES



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1 US TO HAVE TO DEVELOP COST REPORTS FOR CBRC RELATED SERVICES
2 THAT ARE SUBJECT TO SUBSEQUENT AUDIT BY THE STATE OF
3 CALIFORNIA. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAS BEEN FAIRLY DELINQUENT
4 IN TERMS OF HOW FAST THEY'VE AUDITED THESE REPORTS BUT, WHEN
5 THEY DO AUDIT THE REPORTS, WE TRY TO TAKE THE RESULTS OF THOSE
6 AUDITS AND APPLY THEM TO OUR CURRENT REVENUE ESTIMATES BECAUSE
7 IT GIVES US A BETTER PICTURE OF WHAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO
8 EXPECT IN THE FUTURE, AND, ESSENTIALLY, THIS \$35 MILLION
9 CHANGE IS A RESULT OF APPLYING AUDIT RESULTS AND ALSO LOOKING
10 AT RECENT TRENDS AND OUTPATIENT VISITS WHICH, AGAIN, WE EXPECT
11 THEM TO BE X'D AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR WITH THE BUDGET
12 AND THEY ALWAYS COME OUT EITHER GREATER THAN OR LESS THAN WHAT
13 WE EXPECTED AND SO WE ADJUSTED FOR THAT AS WELL.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ANYTHING ELSE, GENEVIEVE?

16

17 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** NO, I'M JUST KIND OF SURPRISED AT THE
18 VARIANCE IN A BUDGET. YOU KNOW, HAVING WORKED, YOU KNOW, FOR A
19 FOR-PROFIT WHERE WE WERE HAVING TO GIVE REPORT ON A WEEKLY
20 BASIS ON OUR VARIANCE, I'VE NEVER SEEN A VARIANCE OF MANY
21 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, YOU KNOW. I THINK YOU ARE COUNTING IT'S
22 SOME BRUSH-OFF. BUT ANYWAY, FOR YOUR INFORMATION, A NEW
23 ARTICLE, TO BE A PATIENT ADVOCATE, I THINK THAT CAN HELP YOU.
24 THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU, GARY.

2 OKAY. DAVID. DO YOU WANT TO PROCEED?

3

4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. ITEM 35 AND 36 ARE
5 TECHNICAL ITEMS FROM THE AUDITOR TO CLOSE THE BOOKS FROM LAST
6 YEAR '03/'04, 36. SHE JUST ADDRESSED. I DON'T HAVE ANY
7 PARTICULAR COMMENTS ON THOSE TWO. WE CAN TALK ABOUT FUND
8 BALANCE UNDER NUMBER 37. SO I'D ASK THAT YOU APPROVE ITEMS 35
9 AND 36.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. IS THERE A MOTION TO APPROVE ITEMS 35
12 AND 36?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MOVE IT.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
17 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THANK YOU. ITEM 37 IS A SUPPLEMENTAL
20 RESOLUTION TO THE '04/'05 BUDGET WHICH REFLECTS THE CLOSEOUT
21 NUMBER FROM '03/'04 AND THE AUDITOR IS ASKING THAT
22 SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS OF \$337 MILLION BE TRANSFERRED TO
23 APPROPRIATION FOR CONTINGENCIES UNDER 38. WE'LL TALK ABOUT HOW
24 TO ALLOCATE THAT MONEY BUT THAT IS THE ADDITIONAL FUND BALANCE
25 FROM LAST YEAR'S BUDGET.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND WE HAVE ITEM 37. WOULD THAT BE
3 APPROPRIATE TO ACT UPON 37 BEFORE WE DO ANY MOTIONS UNDER 38?

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, I THINK SO. YOU ACCEPT THE MONEY, AND
6 THEN, IN 38, WE CAN TALK ABOUT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THE CHAIR WILL MOVE ITEM 37. IS
9 THERE A SECOND?

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** 37?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** 37.

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 37. IT'S ACCEPTING THE MONEY.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ITEM 38 IS A RECOMMENDATION, THEN, ON WHAT TO
20 DO WITH THE ADDITIONAL FUND BALANCE. I'VE TALKED TO A NUMBER
21 OF PEOPLE THIS MORNING ABOUT THAT, SLIGHTLY OVER \$300 MILLION
22 ABOVE WHAT WE ANTICIPATED. I BELIEVE THERE ARE PRETTY
23 STRAIGHTFORWARD REASONS FOR THAT BUT I WOULD OBVIOUSLY LIKE TO
24 BE CLOSER ON AN ESTIMATE. IT WAS A COMPLICATED FISCAL YEAR
25 WITH THE RECALL OF THE GOVERNOR, VEHICLE LICENSE FEES UP AND



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1 DOWN THROUGHOUT THE YEARS AND DEPARTMENTS BEING VERY
2 CONSERVATIVE ABOUT EXPENDITURES BECAUSE WE SIMPLY DIDN'T KNOW
3 WHAT THE STATE WAS GOING TO DO TO US, WHEN THEY WERE GOING TO
4 DO AND HOW MUCH IT WAS GOING TO COST. AS IT TURNS OUT, IT'S
5 GOING TO COST US \$206 MILLION TO HELP BALANCE THE STATE BUDGET
6 AND, HOPEFULLY, THAT'S ALL IF PROPOSITION 1-A PASSES. WE HAD
7 INCREASED REVENUES AND REALIGNMENT PROPERTY TAX AS WELL. NOW,
8 THAT MONEY WE ARE PROPOSING BE SPENT ON ONE-TIME. THE BOARD
9 HAS BEEN VERY CONSISTENT OVER THE YEARS IN EXPENDITURES OF
10 FUND BALANCE. WE HAVE USED IT FOR ONE-TIME PURPOSES BECAUSE IT
11 ISN'T GOING TO BE THERE AGAIN NEXT YEAR BECAUSE OF THE
12 CIRCUMSTANCES OF LAST YEAR. SO WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT THAT
13 MONEY, 103 MILLION OF IT BE USED TO PAY ONE OF THE YEARS THAT
14 WE OWE THE STATE, THAT WE PUT 145 MILLION INTO INFRASTRUCTURE,
15 20 MILLION INTO MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL COSTS IN OUR MUSEUMS,
16 20 MILLION FOR INTEROPERABILITY. WE HAVE, AS MANY PEOPLE DO, A
17 HOMELAND SECURITY ISSUE OF ALL THE JURISDICTIONS BEING ABLE TO
18 COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER. THAT'S A ONE-TIME EXPENDITURE
19 THAT WILL HELP SOLVE THAT PROBLEM. WE'VE HAD A DATA CENTER
20 UNDER DEVELOPMENT FOR QUITE SOME TIME. THIS WOULD FUND
21 CONSTRUCTION OF THAT DATA CENTER AND THE COUNTY LAST YEAR
22 BOUGHT A NEW FINANCIAL SYSTEM THAT IS BEING IMPLEMENTED. THIS
23 WILL ALLOW US TO BUY THE PERSONNEL AND BUDGET A PORTION OF
24 THAT ALSO. ALL OF THESE ONE-TIME EXPENDITURES. IN ADDITION, WE
25 DO HAVE SOME ONGOING REVENUES IN PROPERTY TAX AND THERE IS



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1 SOME ADDITIONAL MONEY IN IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES AS A
2 RESULT OF FEDERALLY FUNDING A STATE PROGRAM THAT FREED UP
3 MONEY IN OUR BUDGET. WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT THERE BE A SALARY
4 INCREASE FOR HOME CARE WORKERS TO \$8.10. THAT DOES DRAW DOWN
5 STATE AND FEDERAL DOLLARS. THE STATE EXAMINED THAT LAST YEAR
6 AND LEFT THE PROGRAM ALONE. WE'RE STILL WELL BEHIND OTHER
7 URBAN COUNTIES BUT WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT IT GO TO \$8.10.
8 THERE'S ALSO A RECOMMENDATION THAT \$9 MILLION BE RESTORED TO
9 THE MENTAL HEALTH BUDGET. THAT WAS THE ONLY ITEM THAT THE
10 BOARD WAS NOT ABLE TO RESTORE IN JUNE DURING DELIBERATIONS.
11 THEY DO HAVE NEW REALIGNMENT REVENUES AND THAT ALLOWS THEM TO
12 RESTORE THE OUTPATIENT CLINIC OPERATIONAL PROGRAMS TO THAT
13 BUDGET. AND THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OTHER CHANGES THAT ARE
14 PROPOSED IN THE ITEM. WE'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS
15 THAT YOU HAVE ON ANY OF ITEM 38.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS OF MR.
18 JANSSEN AT THIS PARTICULAR POINT? I KNOW THAT SEVERAL OF US
19 HAVE MOTIONS AS RELATED TO ITEM 38. I HAD A MOTION IN REGARDS
20 TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND I KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR BURKE HAD
21 AN AMENDMENT TO THAT AS WELL. OKAY. MY MOTION WAS THAT THE--
22 YOU KNOW, OBVIOUSLY, THAT WE-- YOU KNOW, WE'VE HAD DISCUSSIONS
23 ABOUT THIS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, WHETHER WE CAN OR CAN'T, YOU
24 KNOW, FUND OUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY PROSECUTION FUNCTION TO ITS
25 ADEQUATE POSITION AND SO ON AND IN ORDER TO ENSURE THAT WE'RE



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1 DOING SO, WE NEED TO LOOK AT THE-- PROVIDING THE D.A. WITH
2 ADDITIONAL RESOURCES. THE D.A.'S BEEN VIGILANT IN PURSUING
3 FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT FOR CERTAIN PROSECUTION FUNCTIONS THAT
4 HAS RESULTED IN ADDITIONAL TRUST REVENUE ACCRUING TO THE
5 DEPARTMENT. THE ONGOING PORTION OF THIS REVENUE FOR WHEN
6 DEPARTMENT OUT TO BE MATCHED BY THIS BOARD TO ALLOW THE D.A.
7 TO HIRE MUCH NEEDED PROSECUTORS. SO I WOULD MOVE THAT WE
8 INSTRUCT THE C.A.O. TO REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS WITH A
9 RECOMMENDATION ON HOW TO FUND THESE 45 NEW PROSECUTORS WITHIN
10 THE D.A.'S OFFICE AND I BELIEVE SUPERVISOR BURKE HAD AN
11 AMENDMENT TO THAT.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** I WAS GOING TO MOVE THAT IT BE AFTER NOVEMBER 2ND.
14 ARE YOU ANTICIPATING THAT THEY ALSO BE ABLE TO USE THE PROP 1-
15 A FUNDS, OR IS THIS SEPARATE AND APART...

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, THAT WAS DEBATED. WE TRIED...

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** ...FROM THE PROP 3 FUNDS?

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ...TO INCLUDE THAT, YOU KNOW, IN THE
22 DISCUSSION AND, I MEAN, THE 30 DAYS BEING-- PROBABLY IT WILL
23 BE AFTER THE ELECTION BUT, YOU KNOW, THERE WAS DISCUSSION
24 WHETHER-- WHETHER OR NOT THEY'RE INCLUDED. SO, I MEAN, THAT
25 HASN'T BEEN FINALIZED BUT I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM, YOU KNOW,



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1 WAITING UNTIL AFTER THE NOVEMBER 2ND ELECTION FOR A REPORT
2 BACK. OKAY.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, AFTER THE ELECTION, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO
5 REALLY AND RESOLVE THIS IN TERMS OF WHETHER OR NOT THIS IS
6 INCLUDED IN THE PROP 1-A OR SEPARATE FROM THE PROP 1-A.

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** OKAY.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ARE THERE ANY OTHER MOTIONS? MR.
11 YAROSLAVSKY?

12

13 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** GO AHEAD.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ZEV, I THINK YOU...

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DO. IT'S-- I THINK WE'RE ADDING MS.
20 MOLINA'S NAME, SO CAN I GO AHEAD AND INTRODUCE IT? GO AHEAD
21 AND CIRCULATE IT. IT'S ME AND MS. MOLINA, SO-- AND WE'LL GET
22 YOU THE CORRECTED VERSION, WHICH IS BEING TYPED RIGHT NOW BUT
23 IT'S AN AMENDMENT TO 38 THAT MOVES THAT THE BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO INITIATE AN
25 INDEPENDENT MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT



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1 CONDUCTED BY A MANAGEMENT FIRM, WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH AN
2 EXPERT IN JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEMS TO EVALUATE THE OPERATIONS
3 OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, FACILITATE A STRATEGIC PLANNING
4 PROCESS AND ENGAGE IN CONCRETE STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE
5 NECESSARY REFORMS TO OUR JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM. THE FUNDS
6 ARE IN THE BUDGET FOR THIS. I JUST WANT TO GET IT STARTED. I
7 ASSUME THAT, BY DOING THIS, THAT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER WOULD
8 BE AUTHORIZED TO BEGIN TO-- TO UNDERTAKE THIS TASK AND DRAW
9 DOWN THE FUNDS.

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING AS WELL, SUPERVISOR.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THAT'S THE INTENT.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. ANYTHING ELSE? YES?

16

17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES. MR. CHAIRMAN, ALSO ON 38, UNDER
18 POINT NUMBER 26 ON THE C.A.O.'S RECOMMENDATION. FOR THE
19 RECORD, SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS VOTING "NO" ON THE ENHANCEMENT OF
20 THE PROBATION DEPARTMENTS DEVELOPING INCREASED SAFETY THROUGH
21 ARMS REDUCTION MANAGEMENT, DISARMED...

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T SUPPORT MORE GUNS IN THE PROBATION
24 DEPARTMENT.

25



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND THAT'S \$265,000, FOR THE RECORD.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALSO, MADAM CHAIRMAN, I'M VOTING "NO" ON THE
4 INCREASE FOR I.H.S.S.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M SUPPORTING THAT ONE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NO, NO, I JUST GOT THE "NO" VOTES ISOLATED
11 THERE. OKAY. WITH THAT, THEN, THE ITEM, AS AMENDED, IS BEFORE
12 US. CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. WE CAN MOVE THIS ITEM AS A WHOLE,
13 RIGHT, EVEN WITH THE VARIOUS "NO"S ON THE CERTAIN ITEMS
14 WITHIN? WITH THE RECORDED "NO" VOTES INSIDE, THE WHOLE ITEM IS
15 BEFORE US, THEN. CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
16 BURKE.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE WE VOTE AND I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER
23 AMENDMENTS, I DO THINK THAT SOME CONTEXT NEEDS TO BE PUT INTO
24 THIS BECAUSE THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS AND YOU
25 ADDRESSED IT IN THE INTEREST OF BREVITY, MR. JANSSEN, BUT I



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1 THINK WE NEED TO REITERATE THAT WE GET A POLICY AROUND HERE
2 FOR ABOUT A DECADE, AT LEAST A DECADE, THAT'S AS LONG AS I'VE
3 BEEN HERE BUT IT'S CERTAINLY FOLLOWED THE '95 TOBACCO THAT WE
4 ALMOST FACED, THAT WE ERR ON THE SIDE OF FISCAL CONSERVATISM
5 IN OUR ESTIMATES. THAT, REGARDLESS OF WHAT WE MAY THINK MAY BE
6 COMING FORWARD IN TERMS OF ESTIMATES, AND, EARLY IN THE YEAR,
7 IT'S HARD TO KNOW WHAT'S COMING, ESPECIALLY IN PROPERTY TAX
8 RECEIPTS, BUT THAT, RATHER THAN SPEND WHAT WE DON'T KNOW FOR
9 SURE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE AND THEN HAVE TO RETRENCH, WE HAVE
10 BEEN EXTREMELY CONSERVATIVE AND IT HAS SERVED US WELL OVER
11 THESE YEARS. WE HAVE NOT HAD ONE YEAR IN MY MEMORY WHERE WE
12 HAVE ACTUALLY-- MAYBE THERE WAS ONE WHERE WE CAME CLOSE TO
13 ZERO BUT USUALLY WE DON'T HAVE TO LAY OFF PEOPLE, WE HAVEN'T
14 HAD TO LAY OFF PEOPLE SINCE '95. WE'VE LIVED WITHIN OUR MEANS
15 AND, IF WE HAVE SOME LEFT OVER AT THE END OF THE YEAR BECAUSE
16 WE HAVE CONSERVATIVELY ESTIMATED OUR REVENUES AND EXTREMELY
17 CONSERVATIVELY UNDERTAKEN OUR EXPENDITURES, THAT'S A GOOD
18 THING AND IT'S CERTAINLY BETTER THAN THE ALTERNATIVE. I WISH
19 WE COULD BETTER FORECAST WHAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE AT THE END
20 OF THE YEAR BUT THIS IS \$17 BILLION, WITH A "B", BUDGET. SO
21 THIS VARIANCE, WHILE IT'S SIGNIFICANT ON ITS FACE, IS-- OUT OF
22 A TOTAL OF \$17 BILLION, HAS TO BE PUT IN THAT CONTEXT, IN THAT
23 PERSPECTIVE. SO I-- I WANT TO TELL YOU, I'M PLEASED THAT WE
24 ARE NOT IN THE OTHER SITUATION WHERE WE ASSUME FUNDS THAT WE
25 WEREN'T GOING TO HAVE, OVERSPENT AND THEN COME TO THIS POINT



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1 IN OUR YEAR AND HAVE TO SCRAMBLE. AND I THINK IT'S A CREDIT TO
2 EVERY MEMBER OF THIS BOARD. WE HAVE MADE SOME VERY TOUGH CALLS
3 AND NEXT YEAR WILL BE DIFFERENT. LAST YEAR WAS DIFFERENT. AND
4 THIS YEAR WAS ONE BIG QUESTION MARK HANGING OVER THIS COUNTY
5 AND EVERY LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN CALIFORNIA THIS YEAR AND NONE OF
6 US HAD ANY WAY OF KNOWING HOW IT WAS GOING TO TURN OUT AND, BY
7 THE WAY, WE STILL DON'T KNOW HOW IT'S GOING TO TURN OUT
8 BECAUSE THERE'S A PROPOSITION 1-A ON THE BALLOT, AND, UNLESS
9 THAT PASSES, WE STILL MAY BE VULNERABLE IN THE ENSUING MONTHS
10 AND YEARS. BUT THE ISSUE THAT WE FACE THIS YEAR WAS A STATE
11 THAT WAS-- WHAT WAS IT, 30 BILLION IN THE RED?

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THEY WERE DOWN TO 25 THIS YEAR.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ONLY \$25 BILLION IN THE RED AND WE HAD NO
16 IDEA OF HOW MUCH OF A HIT CITIES AND COUNTIES AND LOCAL
17 GOVERNMENT WERE GOING TO TAKE, AND I GIVE THE GOVERNOR CREDIT
18 ON THIS, WITHOUT HAVING TO APOLOGIZE FOR IT. I THINK THE
19 GOVERNOR KEPT HIS WORD AND-- LARGELY, AND WE HAVE A MEASURE ON
20 THE BALLOT. OUR CHAIR WAS VERY INVOLVED IN THAT AND I
21 CONGRATULATE YOU FOR THE ROLE YOU PLAYED IN THAT, DON, FOR
22 CRAFTING THE PROPOSITION 1-A AND THAT WHOLE-- BUT WE HAD NO
23 WAY OF KNOWING, JUST A FEW SHORT MONTHS AGO, WHETHER WE WERE
24 GOING TO BE AT A HUNDRED, 200, 300, HALF A BILLION DOLLARS,
25 DEPENDING ON WHAT-- HOW THE STARS ALIGNED IN THE LEGISLATURE



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1 AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT. AS IT TURNED
2 OUT, I THINK IT TURNED OUT FAR BETTER THAN I WOULD HAVE
3 WAGERED WHEN WE ALL GOT STARTED. SO THAT'S PART OF THE PERFECT
4 STORM THAT YOU'VE BEEN ALLUDING TO PRIVATELY TO ME. I DON'T
5 KNOW IF YOU SAID IT PUBLICLY BUT IT'S-- I KNOW THAT THERE'S AN
6 EYEBROW RAISED WHEN THIS HAPPENS AND, AS I SAY, I WISH WE
7 COULD BE A LITTLE MORE SURGICAL IN OUR ESTIMATES BUT, FRANKLY,
8 I THINK WE SET IT UP SO THAT IF THERE'S GOING TO BE A
9 VARIANCE, IT WILL BE TO-- ON THE PLUS SIDE AND NOT ON THE
10 MINUS SIDE AND THAT'S ALWAYS A PREFERABLE ALTERNATIVE. AND I
11 WANT TO SAY THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD HAVE DONE THAT, THE
12 C.A.O. AND THE DEPARTMENT HEADS AND I THINK WE HAVE AN
13 OPPORTUNITY NOW TO CALIBRATE, AND I THINK SOME OF THE MOTIONS
14 HERE AND IN THE WEEKS AHEAD WILL TAKE A LOOK AND, AS WE LOOK
15 AT NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET, WE'LL BE ABLE TO CALIBRATE ACCORDINGLY.
16 I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT...

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I AGREE, ZEV. I THINK, IF THERE'S AN
19 EYEBROW RAISED, IF WE WENT THE OTHER WAY AND WERE IN A
20 DISASTER MODE AND TRIED TO FIGHT A DISASTER, TWO EYEBROWS
21 WOULD BE RAISED AND SAY, "WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU DOING?" I
22 MEAN, TO ERR ON THE SIDE OF BEING THIS CONSERVATIVE ON THE
23 BOARD AND C.A.O.'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND EVERYTHING ELSE. AND
24 YOU MADE A VERY VALID POINT, BECAUSE IT'S THE POINT I WAS
25 GOING TO MAKE. THERE'S STILL A LOT TO DO. WE'VE AGREED, AS A



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1 COUNTY AND COUNTIES AND CITIES, IN PROP 1(A) TO STILL SHARE
2 SOME OF THE PAIN OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS AND THIS COUNTY
3 PREPARED TO SHARE. IT'S GOING TO COST US UP TO \$103 MILLION. I
4 THINK, MORE IMPORTANTLY THAN THAT, THE VULNERABILITY STILL
5 STANDS ON WHAT LONG-TERM BECAUSE, IF SOMETHING HAPPENS ON
6 NOVEMBER 2ND, THAT PROP 1-A DOESN'T PASS, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
7 TO REVISIT ALL THESE ISSUES THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY.
8 AND SO, YOU KNOW, THE GOOD THING ABOUT PROP 1-A IS THAT IT
9 REALLY ALLOWS US, IT SHOULD ALLOW US, IN THE OUT YEARS, TO BE
10 ABLE TO PREDICT BETTER AND CLOSER AND BETTER NUMBERS TO, YOU
11 KNOW, TO KNOW WHAT THE GROUND RULES IS AND ENFORCE THE
12 LEGISLATURE TO ABIDE BY THOSE GROUND RULES. AND I THINK EVEN
13 THOUGH WE ALL WORK TOGETHER, AS I'VE SAID SO MANY TIMES, WHAT
14 HAPPENED IN THIS AGREEMENT WITH PROP 1-A WAS HISTORIC. MANY OF
15 YOU HAVE BEEN AROUND THERE A LOT LONGER THAN I HAVE, AND I'VE
16 BEEN AROUND HERE QUITE AWHILE NOW AND I DON'T EVER REMEMBER
17 THE STATE BUDGET BEING HELD UP BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT. AND THE
18 FACT THAT CITIES AND COUNTIES AND SPECIAL DISTRICTS WERE
19 SHOULDER TO SHOULDER IN THIS FIGHT, I MEAN, WE SURPRISED
20 EVERYONE, INCLUDING THE GOVERNOR. WHILE HE WAS WORKING ON
21 WORKERS' COMP, WE WENT OUT AND QUALIFIED A BALLOT INITIATIVE,
22 WHICH THEY DIDN'T THINK WE COULD DO. AND THEN, WHEN THE
23 REQUEST WAS MADE, COULD WE GIVE A LITTLE BIT HERE AND THE
24 CITIES AND THE COUNTIES, WE ALL SAID ABSOLUTELY NOT. THE SWORD
25 IS IN THE SAND. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. SO, YOU KNOW, EVEN



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1 THOUGH PREDICTABILITY WOULD BE NICE, YOU KNOW, WE STILL SIT
2 HERE TODAY BEING ABLE TO DO SOME OF THESE THINGS, TO RESTORE
3 SOME OF THESE SAFETY NET PROGRAMS. BUT, ON THE OTHER HAND, IF
4 1-A DOESN'T PASS, THEN WE COULD BE BACK REVISITING THESE
5 ISSUES, TOO. BUT, AGAIN, MY HAT'S OFF TO THE C.A.O., TO THE
6 STAFF AND TO OUR DEPARTMENTS AS THEY WORK WITH US ON SOME OF
7 THESE TOUGH DECISIONS.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD ECHO THOSE SAME REMARKS
10 AND THE PROPOSITION 1-A WHICH IS ON THE BALLOT WILL ALLOW US
11 THAT OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE STABILITY FOR EVERY CITY AND COUNTY
12 IN THIS STATE. AND I KNOW, IN MY 23 YEARS AS SUPERVISOR AND
13 THE FIRST, WHAT, 11, 12 YEARS AT C.S.A.C., WE TRIED MANY TIMES
14 TO ENGAGE THE LEAGUE OF CITIES, THE CONTRACT CITIES, THE
15 INDEPENDENT CITIES IN THIS EFFORT AND IT TOOK 23 YEARS TO DO
16 IT BUT IT WAS DONE AND, AS A RESULT OF THAT, WE HAVE
17 OPPORTUNITY FOR RESPONSIBILITY AT THE BALLOT BOX IN NOVEMBER.
18 AND ALSO THERE'S THE OTHER PROPOSITION, WHICH IS, WHAT, 66,
19 67?

20

21 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** 65 IS THE ORIGINAL INITIATIVE.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 65, WHICH IS STILL ON THERE AND IS STILL A
24 GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR THE VOTERS TO VOTE BOTH "YES" ON 65 AND
25 1-A FOR THIS. BUT I HAVE TWO OTHER MOTIONS I WOULD LIKE TO



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1 BRING IN. ONE, THE COUNTY ELIMINATED THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
2 AND RECREATION'S TRAIL CREW WHICH FUNDS THE COUNTYWIDE
3 STRUCTURAL BUDGET TO FUND THE STRUCTURAL BUDGET DEFICIT.
4 CURTAILMENT HAS RESULTED IN SERIOUS HEALTH AND SAFETY ISSUES
5 ALONG THE 134 MILES OF TRAILS FOR WHICH THE DEPARTMENT
6 MAINTAINS, INCLUDING OVERGROWN VEGETATION, FALLEN TREES, TREE
7 LIMBS, ILLEGAL DUMPING AND ERODED AND WASHED OUT TRAIL
8 SECTIONS AND FIRE ROADS. THE CONDITIONS REPRESENT NOT ONLY A
9 POTENTIAL HAZARD TO HIKERS, BIKERS AND EQUESTRIANS BUT ALSO
10 LIMITED ACCESS TO FIRE PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT TO EXTINGUISH
11 BRUSH FIRES. THE LACK OF SUFFICIENT STAFF DEDICATED TO TRAIL
12 MAINTENANCE COULD LEAD TO CITATIONS AND FINES FROM THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER, WEIGHTS AND MEASURES,
14 AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT DUE TO LACK OF COMPLIANCE IN CLEARING
15 BRUSH AWAY FROM ADJACENT HOMES. FURTHERMORE, THE REDUCTION OF
16 TRAIL MAINTENANCE STAFF HAS LED TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
17 HOMELESSNESS CAMPS AT SOME STAGING AREAS. RESTORATION OF THE
18 TRAILS WOULD ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT TO DEAL WITH EXISTING ISSUES
19 AND MOBILIZE VOLUNTEERS IN OTHER AREAS TO ASSIST WITH TRAIL
20 MAINTENANCE. SO I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.A.O. TO
21 ALLOCATE FROM THE PROVISIONAL FINANCING USES ACCOUNT TO
22 INCREASE THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND REC BUDGET 269,000 FOR
23 THE FIVE POSITIONS TO RESTORE THE TRAILS CREW AND ONE-TIME
24 COSTS OF 58,000 TO PURCHASE NECESSARY EQUIPMENT IN THE
25 MAINTENANCE OF THOSE TRAILS. THAT'S ONE MOTION. THE OTHER ONE



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1 IS WITH THE LIBRARIES, INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEM IS OBSOLETE
2 AND NEEDS TO BE REPLACED. THE I.L.S. IS THE DEPARTMENT CORE
3 COMPUTER SYSTEM WHICH SUPPORTS SEVERAL MISSION CRITICAL
4 BUSINESS FUNCTIONS INCLUDING THE CIRCULATION AND ACQUISITION
5 OF LIBRARY MATERIALS, LIBRARY CATALOG, FINES, FEES,
6 ACCOUNTING, CUSTOMER ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT AND ACCESS TO ONLINE
7 REFERENCE DATABASES. THE SYSTEM WILL BE-- THE NEW SYSTEM WILL
8 BE WEB-ENABLED AND SUPPORTS THE COUNTY'S STRATEGIC DIRECTION
9 TO CONDUCT COUNTY BUSINESS ELECTRONICALLY AND TO DELIVER
10 SERVICES THROUGH THE INTERNET. REPLACEMENT OF THE I.L.S. HAS
11 BEEN DOCUMENTED IN THE DEPARTMENT'S BUSINESS AUTOMATION PLAN
12 WHICH HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE C.A.O. SO I WOULD
13 MOVE THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE 4.5-MILLION-DOLLAR BUDGET
14 AUGMENTATION FROM THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CONTINGENCIES FOR THE
15 LIBRARIES ACCUMULATED CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND FOR THE REPLACEMENT
16 OF THE DEPARTMENT'S INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEM.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO TAKE
19 THESE TWO MOTIONS AND MOVE THEM AS WELL, TOO, UNTIL AFTER THE
20 ELECTION. OKAY.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ONE PROBLEM THAT WE HAVE ON THE TRAIL
23 CREW IS THAT THERE'S A SERIOUS PROBLEM RIGHT NOW THAT EXISTS
24 AND BECAUSE WE ARE IN THE FIRE SEASON RIGHT NOW, THAT
25 APPROPRIATION WOULD BE WARRANTED AT THIS TIME. IT IS A SERIOUS



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1 PROBLEM THAT IMPACTS THIS COUNTY. IF YOU WANT TO PUT THE
2 LIBRARIES FOR NOVEMBER, THAT'S FINE, BUT THE 269,000 FOR THE
3 ALLOCATION OF THOSE FIVE POSITIONS IS CRUCIAL FOR A VERY
4 SERIOUS PROBLEM THAT IMPACTS OUR COUNTY AT THIS TIME.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THE LIBRARY ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED,
7 THEN, UNTIL AFTER NOVEMBER ELECTION. AS IT RELATES TO PARKS
8 AND RECREATION, THE TRAILS, C.A.O., WHAT IS YOUR RESPONSE? CAN
9 WE...

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MR. CHAIRMAN...

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY THE FIRE THING IS-- HUH?

14

15 **SUP. BURKE:** HAVE WE HEARD FROM PARKS ON THIS ONE? WAS THIS ONE
16 OF THEIR ITEMS?

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** I AM NOT SURE, SUPERVISOR. MAYBE IF WE PUT IT
19 OVER A WEEK, THAT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA. WE CAN TALK TO THE
20 PARKS DEPARTMENT ABOUT IT. IT IS AN ONGOING ITEM. IT'S
21 DIFFERENT THAN THE LIBRARY.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH, YOU KNOW, AND IF IT'S RELATED TO THE
24 FIRE SEASON, THAT'S ANOTHER STORY BUT...

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** LET'S COME BACK WEEK WITH A RECOMMENDATION
2 WITH THE PARKS DEPARTMENT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** BUT THE LIBRARY ISSUE WILL BE AFTER THE
5 NOVEMBER ELECTION. OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WITH THOSE TWO AND WITH
6 THOSE CHANGES, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ALL RIGHT. ITEM NUMBER 39 IS-- WE HAVE A
9 COUPLE OF THESE THAT WERE REFERRED FROM JULY-- EXCUSE ME, FROM
10 JUNE. ITEM 39 WAS TO ALLOCATE \$610,000 FOR PROPERTY
11 REHABILITATION AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. WE DID NOT
12 INCLUDE THAT IN OUR RECOMMENDATIONS. THE ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO THEN IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO RECEIVE
15 IN FILE, ITEM NUMBER 39. CHAIR WOULD MOVE RECEIVE AND FILE.
16 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ITEM NUMBER 40 IS A SIMILAR ITEM REFERRED FROM
19 THE JUNE DELIBERATIONS, \$347,000 FOR A ZONING CODE
20 STREAMLINING PROJECT. WE DID INCLUDE OTHER CHANGES IN THE
21 PLANNING DEPARTMENT. WE DID NOT INCLUDE THIS ONE.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO RECEIVE
24 AND FILE?

25



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES, RECEIVE AND FILE.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. IT'S
4 MOVED BY THE CHAIR, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ITEM 41 HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN DISCUSSED. WE DID
7 INCLUDE SOME FUNDING FOR DISARMING THE BUDGET. SUPERVISOR
8 MOLINA HAD VOTED "NO" AGAINST IT. I THINK THIS ONE COULD ALSO
9 BE RECEIVED AND FILE. IT'S ALREADY BEEN ACTED ON IT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE RECEIVE AND FILE BUT ALSO A "NO"
12 VOTE FROM SUPERVISOR MOLINA ON ITEM 41.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** (OFF-MIKE).

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** JUST CHECKING. THAT'S RIGHT. JUST TRYING
17 TO...

18

19 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** PAYING ATTENTION.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ...PAYING ATTENTION. ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY
22 THE CHAIR, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
23 SO ORDERED.

24



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1 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ITEM 42 HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN THE ITEM 38
2 ALREADY, SO THAT WOULD BE A RECEIVE AND FILE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ON ITEM 42, THEN, RECEIVE AND FILE.
5 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
6 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

7

8 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ITEM 43, YOU'VE ALREADY ACTED TO DELAY THAT TO
9 NOVEMBER THE 16TH SPECIFICALLY.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

12

13 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ITEM 44 WAS A REFERRAL ALSO FROM
14 DELIBERATIONS, SMALL CLAIMS COURT, ADVISOR PROGRAM, DEPARTMENT
15 OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS. WE DID NOT INCLUDE THAT IN THE
16 RECOMMENDATIONS, EITHER, SO RECEIVE AND FILE WOULD BE THE
17 RECOMMENDATION.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RECEIVE AND FILE.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** OR SHOULD WE PUT THIS OVER UNTIL...

22

23 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** IT'S UP TO YOU.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** PUT IT OVER TO NOVEMBER 16TH?



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** UH HUH.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

5

6 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ITEM NUMBER 45, YOU HAVE A REPORT FROM THE
7 DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, REQUEST OF
8 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I BELIEVE DAVID IS HERE IF THERE ARE
9 ANY QUESTIONS. IF NOT, YOU COULD ACCEPT THE REPORT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ON ITEM 45, MOTION TO RECEIVE AND
12 FILE BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
13 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

14

15 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** ITEM 46, REFERRAL FROM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
16 FROM DELIBERATIONS, MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT. THESE FUNDS WERE
17 INCLUDED IN ITEM NUMBER 38 AND APPROVED, SO YOU CAN RECEIVE
18 AND FILE.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO THEN WE'LL RECEIVE AND FILE 46, MOVED BY
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY THE CHAIR. WITHOUT
22 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE BUDGET ITEMS. THANK YOU
25 VERY MUCH.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND AGAIN, THANK YOU, DAVID, TO
3 YOU AND YOUR STAFF AND TO OUR OWN PERSONAL STAFFS FOR ALL
4 THEIR EFFORTS TO OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS AND KEEP OUR FINGERS
5 CROSSED ON PROP 1-A. OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WE STILL HAVE PUBLIC
6 COMMENTS, I BELIEVE AND WE ALSO HAVE OUR ADJOURNMENTS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SHALL WE DO ADJOURNMENTS FIRST?

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL, SUPERVISOR MOLINA? SUPERVISOR MOLINA?
11 DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, I DO.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
18 MEMORY OF MARY JACKSON, WHO IS A LONG-TIME CITY OF BELL
19 GARDENS EMPLOYEE AND WAS A COMMUNITY ACTIVIST THROUGHOUT THE
20 COMMUNITY. MISS JACKSON WAS-- PARTICIPATED IN SEVERAL
21 WORTHWHILE EFFORTS FOR THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS AND WE WANT TO
22 EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO HER FAMILY, FRIENDS AND
23 CERTAINLY HER COLLEAGUES.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. IS THAT IT, SUPERVISOR MOLINA?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, SIR.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE?

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
7 OF YOLANDA RUIZ, WHO PASSED AWAY ON SEPTEMBER 26TH, LOSING HER
8 BATTLE WITH CANCER. SHE WAS AN OUTSTANDING MEMBER OF THE
9 COUNTY FAMILY FOR DECADES, WORKING IN THE WASHINGTON, D.C.
10 OFFICE, DEVOTING HER CAREER AND LIFE TO PROMOTING THE COUNTY
11 OF LOS ANGELES. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, CARLOS, HER
12 SEVEN SONS AND SEVERAL GRANDCHILDREN. ALL MEMBERS.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS ON THAT. YOU KNOW, I'VE HAD
15 THAT ADJOURNMENT AS WELL, TOO. YOLANDA RUIZ. WOW, A FIXTURE
16 BACK THERE AND DONE SO MUCH FOR THE COUNTY AND WORKING ON ALL
17 OUR TRIPS AND NON-TRIPS AND EVERYTHING ELSE BACK THERE AND SHE
18 WAS JUST A CLASS ACT WHO IS GOING TO BE SORELY MISSED BY ALL
19 OF US, THAT SMILING FACE, GREAT ATTITUDE AND A GREAT FIGHT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I ALSO HAVE THE ADJOURNMENT FOR YOLI. I MET
22 HER 23 YEARS AGO WHEN I WAS FIRST A MEMBER OF THE BOARD AND
23 APPRECIATED HER AND HER HUSBAND, CARLOS' FRIENDSHIP, THEIR
24 WARMTH, THEIR HOSPITALITY AND THE FACT HOW WELL ORGANIZED AND-
25 - FROM THE WHITE HOUSE TO THE CONGRESSIONAL HOUSES THAT WE



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1 WERE ABLE TO HAVE THE ACCESS AND COORDINATION WHICH WAS SO
2 VITAL AND ESPECIALLY HER SPECIAL ATTENTION TO LITTLE MICHAEL
3 AND MARY WHEN THEY WERE ABLE TO GO BACK TO WASHINGTON AND
4 VISIT THE WHITE HOUSE, PLAY WITH LITTLE BARNEY AND THE
5 PRESIDENT'S DOGS. SHE WAS JUST SPECIAL. SHE JUST MADE AN EXTRA
6 EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT EVERYTHING WAS COORDINATED WELL FOR EACH
7 OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND, AGAIN, OUR
8 SYMPATHIES TO CARLOS AND HER CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN AND
9 SHE WAS A VERY DIGNIFIED, WONDERFUL PART OF THE COUNTY FAMILY
10 IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SHE'LL BE MISSED. SUPERVISOR BURKE?

13

14 **SUP. BURKE:** AND MILTON ZABBY ZABARO, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
15 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD, AT THE AGE OF 98.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS.

18

19 **SUP. BURKE:** OKAY. HE HAD-- IN 1967, AFTER 41 YEARS OF SERVICE,
20 ZABBY RETIRED FROM COUNTY SERVICE. HE WAS CHIEF OF GENERAL
21 CLAIMS DIVISION OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE. HE WAS THE
22 FATHER OF MIKE ZABARO, RETIRED L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEE, AND
23 FATHER-IN-LAW OF PAT ZABARO, WHO CURRENTLY WORKS FOR THE BOARD
24 OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTYWIDE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING
25 COMMITTEE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 68 YEARS, LORRAINE,



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1 TWO SONS, MIKE AND STEVE, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, SEVEN GREAT
2 GRANDCHILDREN, TWO GREAT, GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. ALL MEMBERS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS. IS THAT IT?

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT'S IT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AS MENTIONED, I, TOO, HAD THAT ONE FOR YOLI
9 AND ALL MEMBERS. ALL THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY TODAY OF KAY
10 BECKER, MY AUNT, MY MOM'S SISTER PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING.
11 SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER TWO DAUGHTERS, JOYCE AND JAN, AND A
12 GREAT LADY, SPENT A LOT OF TIME AS A KID AT HER HOUSE. ALSO
13 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ARMY SPECIALIST EDGAR DECLAN,
14 JR., WHO WAS KILLED ON SEPTEMBER 10TH IN IRAQ. HE WAS 24 YEARS
15 OLD. HE WAS BORN IN CEBU CITY IN THE PHILIPPINES AND MOVED TO
16 THE UNITED STATES IN 1993. HE LIVED IN LONG BEACH FOR ABOUT A
17 YEAR BEFORE SETTLING IN TORRANCE. EDGAR WAS ABOUT TWO
18 SEMESTERS SHY OF FINISHING HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN
19 ENGINEERING FROM CAL STATE LONG BEACH WHEN HE VOLUNTARILY
20 ENLISTED IN THE ARMY. AFTER COMPLETING BASIC TRAINING, HE WAS
21 ASSIGNED TO THE 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION'S 18TH INFANTRY AS A
22 COMBAT MEDIC. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS, GERTRUDE AND
23 EDGAR, FIVE SISTERS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
24 LYNNETTE JEAN JEANNE BELL, WHO PASSED AWAY ON SEPTEMBER 26TH
25 AFTER A SIX-MONTH BATTLE WITH CANCER. SHE WAS 60 YEARS OLD.



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1 SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER FATHER, AUBURN, HER HUSBAND, DICK, THREE
2 SONS, TIM, BRIAN AND MARK AND SISTER DOLORES EVELAND. ALSO
3 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. KEN BURGE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT
4 THE AGE OF 67. HE WAS A MASTER TOOL AND DIE MAKER AND WORKED
5 ON ALL MAJOR UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AND NAVY AIRCRAFT. HE WAS
6 A ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE EL DORADO PARK COMMUNITY CHURCH IN LONG
7 BEACH WHERE HE SERVED AS AN ELDER. AND HE WAS ALSO A BOARD
8 MEMBER OF THE WAY OUT MINISTRY IN HAWAIIAN GARDENS. HE'S
9 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MARIETTA, SIX CHILDREN, 14
10 GRANDCHILDREN, ONE GREAT GRANDCHILD AND SEVERAL NIECES AND
11 NEPHEWS. ALSO WE ALL JOINED IN ON THE ADJOURNMENT FOR ZABBY
12 ZABARO. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF GREAT LEGEND
13 HERE IN LOS ANGELES, MR. BILL BALLANCE, HE WAS A PIONEER IN
14 RADIO PERSONALITY WHO PASSED AWAY ON THURSDAY AT HIS HOME IN
15 SAN DIEGO. HIS STALLION GANGLION AND HIS FEMININE FORUM, HE
16 WAS A LEGEND HERE AND HE HAD A GREAT SHOW AND HE'S SURVIVED BY
17 HIS SONS, JIM AND CURT, AND TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS. >

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. KNABE, CAN I JOIN IN ON THAT? I WAS A GREAT
20 FAN.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH. HE IS GREAT. SO-- WE CAN DO ALL--
23 YEAH, ALL MEMBERS ON BILL BALLANCE. HE HAD THAT GREAT VOICE
24 AND THAT-- HE WAS A CHARACTER. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN
25 MEMORY OF MR. CHARLES STUART, WHO LIVED ON PALOS VERDES



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1 PENINSULA FOR OVER FIVE DECADES. HE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE
2 WEST BASE MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT AND ON THE MWD. HE
3 INITIATED THE CONSTRUCTION OF ONE OF THE LARGEST RECLAMATION
4 PLANTS IN THE NATION. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
5 KELLY RYAN HOSS, LOS ANGELES CITY FIREFIGHTER, WHO PASSED AWAY
6 ON SEPTEMBER 9TH. I DON'T KNOW IF WE DID THAT LAST WEEK WHILE
7 I WAS GONE, AT THE AGE OF 32. HE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN LONG
8 BEACH AND GOING TO SCHOOL IN NAPLES, ROGERS AND WILSON HIGH
9 SCHOOL, GRADUATED FROM CAL STATE LONG BEACH. HE GRADUATED FROM
10 THE ORANGE COUNTY FIRE SCIENCE ACADEMY AND VOLUNTEERED AT
11 HERMOSA BEACH FIRE FOR TWO YEARS. HE WAS HIRED BY L.A. CITY
12 FIRE IN 2000. WONDERFUL FATHER, HUSBAND, LOVED FAMILY RETREATS
13 IN MEXICO AND ENJOYING THE SURF AND FUN TIMES. HE WILL BE
14 MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
15 SHERYL, SON, BAILEY, DAUGHTER, KENDALL, PARENTS, JANICE AND
16 RICK, BROTHER, JEFF, NATALIE AN J.J., AND COUSIN MICHELLE,
17 GRANDMOTHER ALICE, UNCLES BOB AND TERRY AND JEAN LEWIS AND
18 KAREN AND PAM OF TEXAS. AND, FINALLY, THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
19 MEMORY OF NATALIE PAKIZ, LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH AND
20 QUEEN MARY TOUR GUIDE. SHE WAS BORN IN IDAHO, MOVED TO LONG
21 BEACH, MARRIED IN THE EARLY '50S, RETURNED TO LONG BEACH IN
22 '77, WAS INVOLVED IN MANY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING
23 THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR THE '84 OLYMPICS. SHE SERVED FOR
24 MORE THAN 18 YEARS AS A VOTING INSPECTOR IN THE BIXBY HILLS
25 NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE THEY LIVED AND TOOK PART IN THREE U.S.



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1 CENSUSES. SHE WAS A TOUR GUIDE ON THE QUEEN MARY, OPENED IN
2 '69, AND WROTE THE TOUR GUIDE MANUAL. SHE RETIRED IN 2002.
3 SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 49 YEARS, JOHN, SON, DERRICK,
4 DAUGHTER, COURTNEY, GRANDSON, RANE, BROTHER RUDENE, DEETTA AND
5 FAMILY MEMBERS. SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'VE GOT...

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OH, EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'VE GOT ONE. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE
12 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CARMINE CHIRICO, A RESIDENT OF THE
13 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, PANORAMA CITY, WHO DIED AT THE AGE OF 86
14 OVER THE WEEKEND. CARMINE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, GRACE, TWO
15 DAUGHTERS, KATHY AND CANDICE. CANDICE IS A DEPUTY FOR
16 COUNCILWOMAN WENDY GREUEL AND FORMERLY WITH COUNCILMAN WACHS
17 AND A COMMUNITY ACTIVIST IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND HE'S
18 ALSO SURVIVED BY TWO GRANDCHILDREN. THAT'S IT.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, FORMER SENIOR DEPUTY,
23 HEALTH DEPUTY IN MY OFFICE WHO WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE
24 REBUILDING OF OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL, MARSHA NAY, WHO PASSED AWAY
25 ON SEPTEMBER 22ND. SHE BECAME A MEMBER OF MY STAFF IN 1980.



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1 PRIOR TO THAT, WHEN SHE WAS IN COLLEGE AND THAT, SHE WAS
2 ELECTED CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE YOUNG REPUBLICANS OF TEXAS BACK IN
3 1965. SHE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY AND, AFTER LEAVING MY OFFICE,
4 SHE WORKED FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THEN, BECAUSE OF
5 ILLNESS, HAD TO RETIRE. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER PARENTS, MARGE
6 AND SAM NAY AND HER SON, MIKE MCGEE AND WIFE, KAY. FOUR
7 GRANDCHILDREN, HER BROTHER, SAM NAY, III. MARK PAULSON, KNOWN
8 AS MIKE TO MANY FRIENDS, WORLD WAR II VETERAN, PURPLE HEART.
9 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON, MARK PAULSON, JR., WHO WAS THE
10 COUNCILMAN AND FORMER MAYOR IN THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA AND KEVIN
11 PAULSON, A CAPTAIN WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT
12 AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN. CHARLES TERRY, WHO WAS THE OWNER OF
13 RUBBER PRODUCTS FOR 35 YEARS, MANUFACTURING THE TRAFFIC
14 MARKERS, DOOR MATS AND OTHER PRODUCTS, THE ROAD CONES THAT YOU
15 SEE ON THE HIGHWAYS, HE WAS THE INVENTOR OF THAT, PASSED AWAY
16 AND-- FROM THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. DR. CARL FRANKLIN, LONG-
17 TIME LAW PROFESSOR, CONTRIBUTOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
18 CALIFORNIA. HE WORKED THERE FROM 1953 UNTIL HIS PASSING THIS
19 PAST SEPTEMBER 6TH, 93 YEARS OF AGE. HE WAS THE CHAIR OF
20 INTERNATIONAL LAW AT THE U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE AND HE ALSO
21 WROTE A BOOK, THE LAW OF THE SEA, THAT BECAME AN IMPORTANT
22 REFERENCE BOOK FOR UNITED STATES NAVY. IN '62, HE BECAME A
23 CONSULTANT TO THE U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT EVALUATING AMERICAN
24 UNIVERSITIES ABROAD. BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, HE AND HIS WIFE
25 WERE PHILANTHROPISTS, WHO DONATED OVER \$13 MILLION TO VARIOUS



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1 CHARITIES OVER HIS LIFETIME. \$4 MILLION DONATED TO THE U.S.C.
2 SCHOOL OF LAW AND HE WAS HELPING RAISE FUNDS UNTIL THE END.
3 JOHN HOWARD WHATLEY, SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING
4 WORLD WAR II, WAS A MEMBER OF THE PASADENA TOURNAMENT OF
5 ROSES, PASADENA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, THE PASADENA LEGAL AID
6 SOCIETY AND THE PASADENA METROPOLITAN Y.M.C.A. MILTON ZABARO,
7 WHO HAS ALREADY BEEN MENTIONED, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
8 98, WHO HAD SERVED 41 YEARS AT THE COUNTY AS AUDITOR-
9 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE. DR. MARSHALL MERCER OF THE ANTELOPE
10 VALLEY. AFTER EARNING THIS MEDICAL DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY
11 OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, HE FORMED THE FIRST MEDICAL GROUP IN
12 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IN LANCASTER. DR. LILLIAN SEITSIVE OF THE
13 ANTELOPE VALLEY-- I SHOULD SAY OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, SHE
14 RECEIVED HER MEDICAL DEGREE BACK IN 1931 AND SHE WAS ACTIVE IN
15 THE NORTHRIDGE AREA. SHE WAS FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE NORTHRIDGE
16 HOSPITAL IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MUSIC CENTER AND WAS THE
17 FIRST FEMALE TO RECEIVE THE PHYSICIAN OF THE YEAR 2000 AWARD
18 FROM THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AND SHE WAS ALSO
19 HONORED BY THE WHITE HOUSE. CONSTANCE DELANEY, WHO PASSED
20 AWAY, WAS AN ARTIST WHOSE WORK WAS EXHIBITED AT LOCAL SHOWS,
21 SHE WAS A ACTIVE OF THE INCARNATION CHURCH OF GLENDALE, THE
22 GAMBLE HOUSE OF PASADENA AND SHE WAS A DOCENT OF THE GLENDALE
23 HISTORICAL SOCIETY. AS WE SAID, BILL BALLANCE, WHO PASSED AWAY
24 AT AGE 85 AND, JUST A COUPLE MONTHS AGO, AS WE SAID, WE HAD
25 HUNTER HANCOCK, ANOTHER FAMOUS AND THE OTHERS, ALL OF OUR



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1 GREATS ARE NOW PASSING ON, AND HIS SON IS A RESIDENT OF
2 ALTADENA. DANNEY CHARLES ASHLEY, WHO PASSED AWAY. HE WAS A
3 FORMER CITY AND COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTOR. MARVIN DAVIS, WHO
4 PASSED AWAY. HE ONCE OWNED 20TH CENTURY FOX, WHICH HE LATER
5 SOLD TO RUPERT MURDOCH'S NEWS CORPORATION, FOX NEWS AND HE
6 ALSO OWNED PEBBLE BEACH COMPANY AT ONE TIME BUT HE WAS VERY
7 CHARITABLE AND HE ESTABLISHED A CHILDREN'S DIABETIC FOUNDATION
8 IN 1977 AFTER THEIR DAUGHTER, DANA, WAS DIAGNOSED WITH THE
9 DISEASE. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND FIVE CHILDREN. JOHN
10 KULIKOFF, LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. THOSE ARE
11 MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED. OKAY. PUBLIC COMMENT.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO CO-PRESENT WITH
16 MARVIN DAVIS. I FAILED TO MENTION THAT BUT...

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL MEMBERS ON MARVIN DAVIS. BRENDA
19 THOMAS, RICHARD ROBINSON, MICHAEL BAUER AND RONE ELLIS.

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21 **BRENDA THOMAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BRENDA THOMAS AND I
22 AM FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF LOS ANGELES. CATHOLIC CHARITIES
23 HAS SERVED REFUGEE AND IMMIGRANT POPULATIONS FOR MORE THAN 65
24 YEARS AND I AM HERE TODAY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF CATHOLIC
25 CHARITIES BUT ALSO ON BEHALF OF R.I.T.E. AGENCIES IN L.A.



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1 COUNTY. THERE'S SO MUCH TO SAY. SOME KEY POINTS AND I'LL JUST
2 KEEP THIS BRIEF, IS THERE IS, AS YOU KNOW, MUCH CONCERN OVER
3 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER REPORT THAT YOU'VE ALL RECEIVED. ONE POINT
4 I'LL JUST MAKE ON THAT IS THAT THE PERCENTAGES IN THAT REPORT
5 ARE NOT FINAL IN THAT MANY AGENCIES HAVE SUBMITTED A WRITTEN
6 REBUTTAL RESPONSE AND HAVE NOT HEARD BACK FROM AUDITOR-
7 CONTROLLER WITH REGARD TO THEIR COMMENTS, AND WE WOULD JUST
8 CALL FOR SOME SORT OF ACTION TO BE TAKEN ON THAT. SECONDLY,
9 AND SIMILAR AUDIT-CONTROLLER REPORTS ON DPSS, ON MAXIMAS AND
10 ON ACS, WHO, AS YOU KNOW, ALSO PROVIDE CONTRACTED SERVICES TO
11 THE GAIN POPULATION. FINDINGS WERE REPORTED IN OVERCHARGES
12 RESULTING IN APPROXIMATELY 52% AND YET AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
13 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THAT AMOUNT OF OVERCHARGED SERVICES WAS
14 BASICALLY FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION TO BE SUBMITTED, WHEREAS IN
15 THE R.I.T.E. PROVIDER GROUP SCENARIO, THE RECOMMENDATION MADE
16 WAS TO BRING THE SERVICES BACK IN-HOUSE. WE FEEL THAT'S AN
17 UNFAIR, AND INEQUITABLE RECOMMENDATION. WHAT I AM HERE TODAY
18 TO ASK FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION IN IS THAT ALL R.I.T.E. PROVIDER
19 AGENCIES WOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK UNDER D.P.S.S.
20 UNDER CSS, AS YOU KNOW, AS CLEARLY STATED IN THE BLUE REPORT,
21 THERE WERE ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES, PROBLEMS THAT WE ALL WERE
22 AFFECTED BY AND WE REALLY FEEL THAT, UNDER PROPER
23 ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT, OUR GROUP OF NONPROFIT AGENCIES
24 WOULD BE ABLE TO EFFECTIVELY AND CONTINUE TO PROVIDE EFFECTIVE
25 SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITIES THAT WE SERVE. LIKEWISE, WE'RE



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1 CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT OUR CLIENT GROUP WILL EXPERIENCE IF
2 SERVICES COME BACK IN-HOUSE TO D.P.S.S. IN RECENT WEEKS, EVEN
3 AS RECENT AS TODAY, WE'VE RECEIVED CALL FROM D.P.S.S. ASKING
4 HOW WE WOULD-- HOW THEY COULD GO ABOUT PROVIDING SERVICES IN
5 THE MULTI-- TO THE MULTIPLE LANGUAGES THAT WE SERVE, HOW WE GO
6 ABOUT PROCESSING. THIS SEEMS TO GIVE US A SENSE THAT THE
7 PROGRAMS ARE GOING BACK IN-HOUSE AND YET WE'RE BEING ASKED TO
8 TRAIN D.P.S.S. STAFF ON HOW THIS IS TO BE DONE. THAT SEEMS
9 UNFAIR. CATHOLIC CHARITIES, JUST AS A FINAL NOTE, HAD NO
10 FINDINGS FROM THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER REPORT. WE HAVE BEEN ABLE
11 TO PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY SERVICES. WE KNOW HOW TO MANAGE OUR
12 PROGRAMS. WE HAVE CLEAR INTERNAL CONTROLS IN TERMS OF OUR
13 QUALITY ASSURANCE AND WE WOULD HOPE TO CONTINUE TO HAVE THE
14 OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE SERVICES IN THE FUTURE. WE THINK WE
15 PROVIDE A NECESSARY SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND ONE THAT THE
16 COMMUNITY BENEFITS. SO, IN CLOSING, AGAIN, WE JUST ASK, AS A
17 GROUP OF PROVIDER AGENCIES THAT SERVE R.I.T.E. CLIENTS, THAT
18 WE WOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY, UNDER DIFFERENT ADMINISTRATION,
19 TO CONTINUE PROVIDING THESE SERVICES THAT WE THINK ARE VITAL
20 AND WE THINK WE PROVIDE. WE'RE THE BEST CONTAINER FOR THESE
21 SERVICES TO GO OUT. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS? IF NOT, WE'LL
24 ASK-- WE DON'T HAVE TO DO IT PUBLICLY BUT THE DEPARTMENT CAN
25 RESPOND TO THOSE ISSUES THAT ARE RAISED AS PART OF THEIR



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1 REPORT, I THINK, BACK TO US THAT'S COMING BACK. WE'VE GOT SOME
2 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION COMING BACK FROM THE DEPARTMENT ON THAT
3 ISSUE, SO THAT CAN BE PART OF THEIR RESPONSE TO US. THANK YOU.

4

5 **BRENDA THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MR. ROBINSON.

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9 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, RICHARD ROBINSON.
10 NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZER. I'M ESTABLISHING A NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
11 LIKE THAT I STARTED AT THE MILLION-DOLLAR HOTEL AT THE SEVEN
12 STAR MOTEL. SIR. I AM ONE MEMBER OF A LARGE LAW ENFORCEMENT
13 FAMILY, FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY AND CITY COPS. I'M DEVELOPING A
14 PRIVATE SECURITY FIRM WITH MY BROTHER, SISTER, NEPHEWS AND
15 COUSINS. AND, BECAUSE OF THE MURDER OF A LONG BEACH SUPERVISOR
16 AND CHAMBER, I HELPED ALERT SECURITY TO THE NEED OF METAL
17 DETECTORS AT CITY HALL HERE. BEFORE SEPTEMBER 11, 2001. AT
18 THAT MOTEL IN HOLLYWOOD, I AM STRUGGLING TO PREVENT DOPE
19 PUSHERS AND THEIR PROSTITUTES ON SUNSET FROM ENCROACHING
20 ACROSS HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD INTO MY RESIDENCE-- PARDON ME.
21 PUBLIC SPEAKING ISN'T MY FORTE. PLEASE BEAR WITH ME WHILE I
22 ATTEND A RATHER CONVOLUTED MIND RIGHT NOW. FROM ENCROACHING
23 ACROSS HOLLYWOOD BOULEVARD INTO MY RESIDENCE AND THE SEVEN
24 STAR MOTEL. GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER, I WAS EXERCISING ON,
25 ABOUT A QUARTER OF A CENTURY GO, PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE,



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1 WASHINGTON, D.C. GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER GRACIOUSLY BOWED. WE-
2 - I GOT INTO A REGULAR REGIME. EXERCISE. REGIMEN WITH HIS
3 HONOR. HE HELPED ME GET STARTED A QUARTER OF A CENTURY AGO IN
4 WASHINGTON, D.C. WHEN I WAS A GUEST OF THE CONGRESS. THE
5 SHOCKING FUTURE OF HOLLYWOOD'S GROWING CRIME CULTURE IS
6 BECOMING UNACCEPTABLE. THE HOOTER'S ACROSS THE STREET FROM
7 MANN'S CHINESE THEATRE IS ATTRACTING DOPE PUSHERS AND PIMPS.
8 STANDING ON A FIRE HYDRANT ACROSS THE STREET FROM A MILLION-
9 DOLLAR HOTEL HELPED SECURITY AT THAT HOTEL KEEP HUNDREDS OF
10 DOPE PUSHERS AWAY FROM HELPLESS WOMEN AND CHILDREN WHO WERE
11 VICTIMIZED BY THE SAME AT FIFTH AND MAIN BEGINNING ABOUT 33
12 YEARS AGO. HOWEVER, I'M NOT ABLE TO DO THAT IN HOLLYWOOD
13 BECAUSE HOLLYWOOD TOURISTS ARE A DISTRACTION. SECURITY AT THAT
14 HOTEL KEEPS...

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, RICHARD, COULD YOU WRAP IT UP,
17 PLEASE.

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19 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** SURE. LET ME JUST END BY SAYING BECAUSE MORE
20 SOPHISTICATED CRIMINALS ARE INDICATING THE NEED FOR MORE LAW
21 ENFORCEMENT, THE PROBLEM WILL BE SOLVED. IN THIS BUDGETARY
22 CLIMATE, CRIME IS AN ESCALATING NATIONAL PROBLEM. BUT, AS OUR
23 NATION'S ECONOMY GROWS, AS THE STATE'S BUDGET IS BALANCED BY
24 THE MORE THAN 3% GDP, WE ARE GOING TO EXPERIENCE NEXT YEAR...

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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3 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** OUR PRESIDENT WILL ACCOMPLISH HIS
4 ADMINISTRATION'S NEW TASK OF ENSURING IRAQ'S ELECTIONS WILL BE
5 HELD IN JANUARY...

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU, SIR. MR. BAUER?

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9 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** EXCUSE ME. DO YOU WANT SOME WATER?

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11 **MICHAEL BAUER:** I GOT SOME.

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13 **RICHARD ROBINSON:** YOU GOT SOME.

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15 **MICHAEL BAUER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, THE BOARD. YES, MR. KNABE, I'D
16 LIKE TO ASK A QUESTION AND I WANT AN HONEST ANSWER FROM YOU.
17 AND, FIRST OF ALL, THE REASON I'M ASKING FOR AN HONEST ANSWER
18 IS I'M ACTUALLY I'M MAKING A CLAIM AGAINST THE WHOLE ENTIRE
19 COUNTY. WHEN IS THE LAST TIME YOU CHECKED THE DEPARTMENT OF
20 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES WEBSITE?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** KEEP TESTIFYING.

23

24 **MICHAEL BAUER:** OKAY. THE REASON IS, I KNEW I WAS RIGHT ABOUT
25 WHAT WAS GOING ON WITH CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. I'VE GOT



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1 A 204-PAGE REPORT RIGHT HERE. I DON'T HAVE ALL OF IT WITH ME.
2 RIGHT HERE IT SHOWS, NATIONALLY, THERE HAS BEEN NO FUNDAMENTAL
3 CHANGE IN THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM IN 20 YEARS. I HAVE BEEN
4 DEMANDING... [BANGING]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EASY, EASY, EASY.

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8 **MICHAEL BAUER:** AN INVESTIGATION BE DONE. I'VE BEEN DEMANDING
9 THAT INVESTIGATION TO BE DONE. ALSO, YOU THINK I'M CRAZY
10 BECAUSE I'M SAYING THIS. HOW ABOUT IF I BRING UP AN INCIDENT
11 FOR THE FDA THAT I JUST READ IN THE NEWSPAPER IN THE L.A.
12 TIMES SHOWING, WHEN WHEN KIDS ARE ON ANTIDEPRESSANTS, THEY'RE
13 MORE LIABLE TO COMMIT SUICIDE THAN KIDS THAT AREN'T. OH, YES,
14 I'M SUING THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, TOO. I AM
15 REQUESTING A FULL-BLOWN INVESTIGATIVE REPORT FROM ANY ONE OF
16 THESE BOARD MEMBERS, OR ELSE A FEDERAL, CIVIL RIGHTS LAWSUIT
17 WILL BE OPEN TO NOT ONLY TO DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
18 SERVICES BUT DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND YOU GUYS WILL
19 LEGALLY GO DOWN!

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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23 **MICHAEL BAUER:** I'VE GOT ALL THE EVIDENCE...

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.



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2 **MICHAEL BAUER:** WAIT A MINUTE. MY TIME'S NOT UP ANYWAYS. I'VE
3 GOT 11 CASES FROM HERE OF THE U.S. SUPREME COURT FROM 11
4 DIFFERENT STATES THAT ARE ALSO BEING SUED FOR CHILDREN BEING
5 TAKEN AWAY ILLEGALLY. CONNECTICUT, NEW JERSEY, TENNESSEE,
6 TEXAS. OH, YEAH. IT'S ALL ON THIS DISK. I'VE GOT ABOUT 800
7 PAGES OF EVIDENCE. I DON'T THINK YOU WANT TO TEST ME, BECAUSE
8 IF I BRING THIS INTO THE FEDERAL CASE, I WILL LEGALLY HAVE
9 L.A. COUNTY SHUT DOWN! I AM MOVING TO SAN DIEGO BECAUSE OF
10 THIS.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MISS ELLIS?

13

14 **MICHAEL BAUER:** AND I AM WARNING YOU, DON'T TEST ME, BECAUSE IT
15 WILL HAPPEN.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** DON'T THREATEN US, JUST MOVE ON.

18

19 **MICHAEL BAUER:** HEY, IT'S NOT A THREAT. IT WILL HAPPEN!

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. MISS ELLIS? MISS ELLIS, PLEASE.

22

23 **RONE ELLIS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR EL NUMERO NUMBER 4. JUST BY
24 HAPPENSTANCE, I'M GOING TO EDIT PUBLICLY FOR THIS MEETING AND
25 NO DOUBT I WILL LATER SOMEHOW SAVE UP AND GET A COPY OF



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1 TODAY'S MEETING TO SUBMIT TO ONE OF THE REMAINING OLDEST U.S.
2 SUPREME COURT JUSTICES IN THE UNITED STATES OF THE AMERICAS,
3 BECAUSE THERE'S THREE AMERICAS. ITEM 12, I SUPPORT ALL OF AND
4 I NEED AN ANSWER TO ITEMS 18 AND 22. ON 18 PART, I'D LIKE A
5 60-DAY REPORT COPY FROM THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE. ON ITEM 22, I'D
6 LIKE ALSO A 30-DAY REPORT COPY FROM THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE. ON
7 ITEM 21 TODAY, I'D LIKE, LET'S SEE, THE RESULTS OR ANSWERS TO
8 ALL OF IT. ITEM 25, I'D LIKE THE, LET'S SEE, HMM, I'M GOING TO
9 MAKE A LITTLE COMMENT. NUMBER 25, ALL OF THAT WITHIN IT, IN MY
10 VIEW, IT REGARDS UNPAID SPECIAL MASTERS, NOT YOUR-- ONLY BOB
11 MERRICK WITH YOUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. ITEM 29, I'M
12 REQUESTING NOTIFICATION OF WHAT EXACTLY THE PROJECT GRANT IS
13 THAT'S GONNA BE AWARDED. OKAY? MINUS THE ELIMINATION OF A
14 TRAIL THAT WAS STATED IN THIS MEETING. ITEM NUMBER 34, ALL, I
15 HAVE A QUESTION. IF THERE IS GOING TO BE A PUBLIC PROCESS
16 REGARDING THE NEW NAME, I SUGGEST WE CALL IT SHUN,
17 INCORPORATED. ITEM NUMBER 46, IN PART, I WOULD LIKE TO AT
18 LEAST FIND OUT HOW I COULD GET INDIVIDUALLY PART OF THE
19 \$800,000 ON THE GENERAL MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CRISIS
20 INTERVENTION MONEY THROUGH OUR C.A.O. AND OUR MENTAL HEALTH
21 DIRECTOR PROPER OR NOTHING. OKAY? AND, ON ITEM NUMBER 47, I'M
22 INTO THE ALPHABETS OF B AND D ONLY TODAY. I SUPPORT B. AND D,
23 WELL, ELLIPSES. 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.
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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WILL YOU READ US INTO CLOSED
2 SESSION, PLEASE?

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4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
5 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-
7 1 AND CS-2, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
8 LITIGATION; ITEM CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS,
9 DAVID E. JANSSEN, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE AND DESIGNATED STAFF,
10 ITEM CS-4, INTERVIEW AND CONSIDER CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT
11 TO THE POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL AND ITEM CS-5, CONFERENCE
12 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO
13 LITIGATION, TWO CASES. CS-5 RELATES TO SEPARATE CORRESPONDENCE
14 FROM THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE LOS
15 ANGELES TIMES REGARDING ALLEGATIONS OF BROWN ACT VIOLATIONS AS
16 TO ITEM CS-2 ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' AGENDAS OF SEPTEMBER
17 7, 2004 AND SEPTEMBER 13, 2004. THESE ITEMS ARE INDICATED ON
18 THE POSTED AGENDA AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

2 **ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2004**

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4 The Board of Supervisors met today in Closed Session. The
5 following action is being reported:

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7 CS-5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

8 (Subdivision (b) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

9 Significant exposure to litigation (two cases)

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11 Action Taken:

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13 The Board authorized the voluntary disclosure of confidential
14 closed session minutes to the District Attorney to assist in
15 his inquiry into allegations of Brown Act violations, pursuant
16 to Government Code Sections 54957.2, 6254.5(e) and 6265 and
17 the District Attorney's agreement to maintain the
18 confidentiality of the material.

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20 The vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous with all
21 Supervisors being present.

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REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE

I, Jennifer A. Hines, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do hereby certify:

That the foregoing transcript of recorded proceedings was taken on Tuesday, September 28th, 2004, at the time and place therein set forth and recorded by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and supervision;

And I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of recorded proceedings is a full, true, and correct transcript of the recorded proceedings before the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

I further certify that I am neither counsel for nor related to any party to said action, nor in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 30th day of September, 2004.

_____(Signature on file)_____

JENNIFER A. HINES

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